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M-89 Cinema to host West Michigan's first dementia-friendly movie program

By Jordan Wilcox
Assistant Publisher

Dementia is a tragic, progressive decline in mental ability that causes memory loss, cognitive deterioration, and functional impairment. It affects more than 55 million people worldwide and is the seventh-leading cause of death. Its most well-known subset, Alzheimer's disease, accounts for 60–70% of cases.

Scott Moore, vice president of the Moore Theatre chain, understands the disease on a deeply personal level. He and his wife, Laurie, were "blessed" to serve as full-time caregivers for Laurie's mother, who lived with dementia and resided in their home for nearly two years. In a Facebook post, Laurie described the experience as "one of the most rewarding, yet isolating and lonely experiences" of her life.

That personal connection made the decision an easy one when Ellia Flejtuch, a 24-year-old graduate student at Western Michigan University, approached Moore Theatres with an idea to host a safe, welcoming movie experience for people living with dementia. Scott and Laurie immediately supported the concept.

On February 1, the theatre chain announced the launch of its Dementia-Friendly Movie Program, which Moore Theatres said is the first of its kind in West Michigan. The program will be hosted at the company's Plainwell location, M-89 Cinema, and will feature one showing per month with lights left on, lower sound volume, and extra space for attendees to sing, clap, dance, and enjoy time together.

The announcement was met with an overwhelmingly positive response on social media. Within 48 hours, the Facebook post had received dozens of comments, hundreds of likes, and hundreds of shares.

M-89 Cinema in Plainwell will host West Michigan's first dementia-friendly movie program. Photo from Amanda Skapnit on Google Maps.

Commenters praised the Moores for offering the program, and many shared personal stories about deceased family members who lived with dementia, noting that they would have appreciated an opportunity like this during that time.

The inaugural screening, scheduled for February, will feature the 1952 classic Singin' in the Rain, starring Gene Kelly, Donald O'Connor, and Debbie Reynolds. The showing will take place on Tuesday, February 17, at 1 p.m., with doors opening at 12:30 p.m. Admission is free, and a small popcorn-and-drink combo will be available for $4. M-89 Cinema is located at 392 Cross Oaks Drive in Plainwell.

Those interested in attending are asked to email Ellia Flejtuch at eflejtuch23@outlook.com to RSVP or sign up to volunteer by Friday, February 13. Registration is encouraged but not required.

Future showings are already planned, with Meet Me in St. Louis scheduled for March, followed by Harvey in April.

Data center opposition continues in Dorr Township

By Jordan Wilcox
Assistant Publisher

Pushback against proposed data centers continued in Dorr Township this weekend, as the local Facebook group "Dorr Township MI – We the People" hosted a Saturday meeting with lawmakers, residents, and industrial experts who believe Microsoft's proposed area data center would significantly impact the township's rural farming community.

The meeting was held at St. Mary's Catholic Visitation Parish, located at 2459 146th Ave. SW, and drew nearly 100 attendees. Among them was outspoken data center opponent Paula Caltrider, who said she became involved in the Dorr Township issue after learning that a similar proposal would threaten her family's farm in Mason, Michigan. During her remarks, Caltrider outlined how she and her neighbors were able to largely halt that project, though she noted the fight is far from over.

"We're going to save Pure Michigan," Caltrider said. "We'll go to every town. We'll go to every council. We'll speak up."

Following Caltrider's remarks, Jim DeSana (R–MI–29) addressed the crowd, followed by Joseph Fox (R–MI–101). DeSana described proposed data center developments as a "scam," arguing that billionaires and large technology companies receive tax breaks while local residents are left to deal with increased water use, higher electric bills, constant noise, and declining property values.

"Who's going to want to buy your house if you live within a half mile to a mile of a data center?" DeSana asked. "They're going to say, 'I'm going to go up to the next township.' It's going to affect your market value."

Michigan State Representative, Jim DeSana (R–MI–29), described proposed data centers as a "scam" during Saturday's meeting. Photo captured from a live GNS Television Broadcast on Facebook.

DeSana also said that while companies often cite carbon sequestration and closed-loop water cooling systems as environmentally friendly measures, those systems are rarely implemented as described.

Later in the meeting, two industrial hygienists addressed the audience, sharing concerns about the potential health and environmental risks associated with data centers. They predicted that companies could abandon above-ground facilities in the future in favor of underground operations, leaving small communities responsible for costly clean-up efforts.

Several other speakers took the podium as well, but the message remained largely consistent throughout the meeting. Attendees said they were unwilling to sacrifice home values, health, water resources, peace and quiet, and affordable electricity so that outside corporations could profit from the state's natural resources.

When asked for comment by multiple media outlets, Microsoft directed inquiries to its online blog post titled "Building Community-First AI Infrastructure," which outlines the company's five-point plan to partner with local communities while developing data centers across the United States.

The Dorr Township Board has also invited residents to attend an upcoming "Microsoft Workshop," scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 5, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the township complex, located at 1683 142nd Ave. Additional information about the workshop and the proposed data center is available under the "Public Notices" section of the township's website at https://www.dorrtownship-mi.gov/.

West Michigan joins country's response to ICE

By Gari Voss

The second Friday in a row found businesses and individuals expressing their belief that President Donald Trump's use of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) teams and the Department of Home Security (DHS) to disrupt communities would not go unnoticed. Peaceful protests could be found on university campuses across Michigan while residents of Grand Rapids, Holland, Detroit, and other communities found businesses closed or adjusting business practices in support of the effort to voice their beliefs.

In an explanation of why Broken Arrow Recycling in Allegan was willing to close for a second Friday, Vice-President Eddie Walker explained, "This is a national shutdown with the same theme as last week – no school, no work, no shopping. Last week we decided to stand in solidarity with the immigrant communities [in Minnesota] and to speak out how ICE and DHS had been treating people in this country.

"We are doing it again. Not because it is easy, not because it is good for business, but because it's right."

Walker went on to share that after announcing last week's closure, they received many responses. Most were supportive while a few were very "cruel, hateful, and deeply personal". People attacked the business and Walker with the overall theme of "Go WOKE, Go Broke."

"Let me make something very clear," Walker stressed. "I would rather go broke than to be rich and live in a society that dehumanizes people. I would rather struggle than stay silent while families are being torn apart. I would rather lose everything than lose my integrity."

Walker believes that their business has always been about community and dignity. "It's about standing up when staying quiet is easier."

The explanation continued, "A national shutdown is about reminding the country that people matter more than profit. If you disagree with us, that's fine. That is okay. That is your right, and I welcome that. But we will not apologize for choosing compassion over comfort."

After thanking all who have supported the efforts, Walker promised to continue showing up and choosing to say that enough is enough. Walker closed with an invitation to join in supporting efforts to reign in hurtful actions of the federal government and received a substantial response to hold trainings.

Walker and Broken Arrow were not the only ones to choose "people over profit". WOOD TV found businesses like Rebel in Eastown (Grand Rapids), Scorpion Hearts Club, Woosah Outfitters, Plant Shop GR, Transfigure Print Co., Spirit Dreams, Commune, Lotus Brew Coffee and Has Heart while others felt they could not shut but expressed support for the effort and their employees who participated in peaceful protests.

In Holland, the 205 Coffee Bar, Our Brewing Company, Spring Sweet, Culture Cheese Shop, Globe Design and Vision, KIN Coffee and Craft House, Shift Climbing, Cakabakery on Eighth, The Bluestocking Bookshop, Francis Jaye, Garsnett Beacon Candle, Co., Brew Merchant, MI Favorita Brick and Ivy Market, and others closed completely or early to demonstrate their support. Owners stated that they were willing to lose some money to make a change.

Ryan Dawson, owner of 205 Coffee Bar stated, "As little this statement is that we're making, I believe it's a very small statement, and a small sacrifice for what people are enduring, it's well worth it."

Some in Michigan may say that ICE has not been present in Allegan County, but they are mistaken. The problem comes with verifying who has been detained and where they are held. This is similar in other states such as Maine where Governor Janet Mills has repeatedly requested the details on arrest warrants and identification of detainees. The lack of information has brought responses from communities large and small across the state.

In response to the actions of ICE, Walker stepped forward to not only close Broken Arrow Recycling on Friday but to begin work to organize a Rapid Response Team.

Rapid Response Team members receive training then offer their time, energy, and resources to support individuals and families impacted by ICE raids, detentions, arrests, and deportations.

Walker shared, "Support may include:

- Being physically present to observe, record, and document arrests or detentions.
- Coordinating with other organizations to track ongoing situations.
- Helping connect people to legal resources.
- Providing food, clothing, or basic necessities.
- Giving rides to appointments, work, or school.
- Escorting children when families are suddenly disrupted."

He reminded listeners that no one is expected to do everything and asked only that volunteers contribute in ways that are honest, safe, and sustainable for them.

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Former Democratic State Treasurer accused of embezzlement

By Elizabeth Ferszt
Contributing Writer

Former democratic state Treasurer Traci Michelle Kornak has been charged with three embezzlement-related crimes, according to a Jan. 29, 2026 press release from Kent County Prosecutor, Chris Becker.

Kornak, age 62, faces one count of embezzlement from a vulnerable adult ($50,000 to $100,000); one count of embezzlement from a vulnerable adult ($1000 to $20,000); and one count of criminal false pretenses ($1000 to $20,000). The charges stem from a July 1, 2020 offense date, according to Kent County 63rd District Court records.

An arraignment for Kornak is scheduled for Feb. 17 at 1:30pm in the court of Magistrate Alex Grimes.

The charges stem from an investigation by Kent County Sheriff's Department that began three years ago at the request of Adult Protective Services, according to Becker.

While neither the sheriff nor prosecutor identified the victim, it has been reported that she is a deceased woman from Allegan County.

Traci Michelle Kornak

In an unrelated but simultaneous action by the Michigan House Oversight Committee, which has attempted to link Kornak to Attorney General Dana Nessel, in terms of their both being prominent members of the Michigan Democratic Party — the committee named Rosalene Burd, as the target for the embezzlement.

Kornak was appointed conservator for Burd in 2015, according to Allegan County Probate Court records. Conservator is a fiduciary role that requires the highest level of legal and financial trust between the parties.

According to probate court records, there was a Notice of Deficiency on July 23, 2025; a Show Cause Hearing on Oct. 23, 2025; and an annual account filed on Dec. 3, 2025. Then, there was an Order following Account Review Hearing on Jan. 5, 2026; and a Zoom hearing is scheduled for May 4, 2026 — all with Hearing Officer Hon. Jolene A. Clearwater.

The Oversight Committee is largely run by Republican representatives.

According to Crain's Detroit Business, the committee, chaired by Rep. Jay DeBoyer, "has investigated why the Michigan Attorney General's office closed a 2022 investigation into Kornak without charges, alleging that Nessel failed to maintain ethical 'firewalls' regarding a person with whom she had a professional association."

Kornak is an attorney, admitted to the Bar in 1991, she practices in Belmont, MI, and is listed as an active member in good standing at the State Bar of Michigan website.

Fennville DDA announces 2026 Facade Grant applications now open

By Art Nicholas

Downtown Fennville will soon be looking even better as the Fennville Downtown Development Authority opens applications for its 2026 facade improvement grant program. Business owners in the downtown district can receive up to $10,000 in matching funds to enhance their storefronts, upgrade signage, and improve accessibility. The application deadline is May 1st.

Since its establishment in 1992, the Fennville Downtown Development Authority has worked to create a functional and attractive business district that serves the needs of the community. The DDA, which operates under Michigan Public Act 57 of 2018, serves as a catalyst for downtown revitalization by supporting private investment and business growth through various programs and initiatives.

The facade improvement program represents one of the DDA's most visible efforts to preserve and enhance Fennville's historic downtown character. The program provides matching grants of up to $10,000 at a 50 percent rate, meaning businesses can receive dollar-for-dollar matching for eligible improvements. Two improvement projects are funded annually, giving downtown property and business owners the financial support needed to make meaningful improvements to their buildings.

"We love our beautiful downtown storefronts in Fennville," said DDA Coordinator Micah Machiela. "We also love doing our part to keep updating and maintaining these historic facades. This program allows us to partner with business owners to preserve what makes downtown Fennville special while ensuring our commercial district remains vibrant and welcoming."

"While you shouldn't judge a book by its cover, the reality is that a building's exterior significantly impacts customer perceptions," Machiela added. "A well-maintained, attractive storefront tells customers that a business cares about quality and professionalism. This grant helps our downtown businesses make that positive first impression."

Eligible projects must be located within the Downtown Development Authority district and can focus on several types of improvements. Businesses can use grant funds to enhance building facades—the exteriors facing public rights of way—through projects such as exterior brickwork restoration, window replacements, or awning installations. The program also supports new or improved business signage and upgrades to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance standards, including elevator installations or accessibility modifications.

The facade grant program is part of the DDA's broader economic development strategy, which has gained momentum in recent years. Under Machiela's coordination, Fennville has achieved several significant milestones, including obtaining Redevelopment Ready Communities certification from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, restoring the city's Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, and overhauling the zoning ordinance to allow for diverse housing types.

Downtown Fennville has experienced notable growth and investment, with the DDA celebrating multiple new businesses in recent years. The organization has also spearheaded major public space improvements, including the City Square Park project, which successfully crowdfunded over $65,000 and received $50,000 in matching funds from the MEDC. The park now features an amphitheater, splash pad, and outdoor fireplace, creating a gathering space for community events, concerts, and festivals.

These improvements complement private investments happening throughout downtown, including the restoration of the historic Stevens Hotel, supported by a grant from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. The DDA is also actively working to activate vacant downtown properties, seeking proposals for residential and retail development that will further enhance Main Street's vitality.

The facade improvement program aligns with the DDA's mission to maintain Fennville's architectural heritage while supporting modern business needs. By providing financial assistance for exterior improvements, the program helps business owners invest in their properties without bearing the full cost burden. The matching requirement ensures that property owners remain invested in their projects while making significant upgrades more financially feasible.

Applications for the 2026 facade grants are due by May 1st, with award decisions made at the DDA's April meeting. Business and property owners interested in applying should act soon to ensure they meet the deadline and have time to develop their project proposals.

For businesses considering applying, the DDA encourages early consultation to discuss project eligibility and planning. Whether a storefront needs new signage, historic brickwork requires restoration, or accessibility improvements are necessary, the facade grant program provides valuable support for downtown businesses looking to enhance their properties.

The investment in downtown facades creates benefits that extend beyond individual businesses. Improved storefronts enhance the overall downtown experience for residents and visitors, support economic vitality, and help preserve the historic character that makes Fennville unique. As the DDA continues its work to revitalize downtown, the facade grant program remains a cornerstone initiative that demonstrates the organization's commitment to supporting local businesses and maintaining the community's architectural heritage.

To learn more about the facade grant program or to obtain an application, interested parties can stop by Fennville City Hall or contact DDA Coordinator Micah Machiela at mmachiela@fennville.gov. Applications are available online at https://ecode360.com/FE6693/document/753218125.pdf, and the complete grant policy can be reviewed at https://ecode360.com/FE6693/document/753149023.pdf.

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Sobriety Court hopes to keep those with multiple DWI's sober

By Gari Voss

The Allegan County Court System hosts a number of specialty courts. The Sobriety Court hosted by the 57th District Court has been found to be an extremely effective system for assisting those who choose to utilize the program.

The District Court has exclusive jurisdiction for civil suits under $25,000, adult criminal misdemeanor offenses, civil infraction or traffic violation, landlord-tenant disputes, small claims suits of $6,500 or less, and land contract forfeitures. The District Court is where all adult criminal proceedings occur such as issuing arrest and search warrants, setting bail and accepting bond, conducting misdemeanor and felony arraignments, performing marriages, as well as performing preliminary examinations on felony cases to determine whether probable cause exists to bind the cases over to circuit.

Chief District Court Judge Joseph Skocelas and Judge Christopher Burnett conduct the business of the 57th District Court in Allegan County where Judge Burnett oversees the Sobriety Treatment Court and Veterans Treatment Court cases.

These specialty courts are chosen commitments by those who have had two or more alcohol-drug related offenses, but it is not a decision that is made lightly. There is significant commitment to sobriety with progress monitoring by court professionals. The program provides a structured, supportive environment for rehabilitation that is an alternative to jail.

If an individual with Operating While Intoxicated (OWI) 2nd or higher offenses of driving drunk or high decides to enter the program, they are taking on a 15 to 24-month commitment that passes through 4 levels. Upon graduation, an individual is given a certificate that reminds them that they have completed at least 39 treatment hours, over 200 hours of support group, at least 100 hours of community volunteering, and at least 457 days of sobriety.

During those days of sobriety, individuals must check in physically with Judge Burnett. During these meetings, present in the courtroom are Probation Officer (PO) Hickory Buell, therapist from Arbor Circle Calvin Matson, and a Public Defender. The team meets before the hearings. First meetings are the full review panel for either Sobriety or Veterans Court. The third meeting will be for the new participants who are in the beginning levels or for someone with a specific issue to address.

During the gathering in the courtroom on Monday, February 2, 2026, Judge Burnett had each participant share information in a number of categories. The beginning request was to share what had been going on in their personal life, especially positives since the last time they had been in court. For the majority of participants, this covered anything from frustrations with electronics to better interactions with family members and friends to finding a job or paying off fines.

The next area of sharing dealt with what the participants had covered in completing the program. Several Level 1 participants were able to share that they had begun AA meetings or were attempting to organize their schedules to fit in group and/or individual meetings or were exploring volunteer possibilities to complete their community service requirements. It became obvious that time management without alcohol took definite adjustment.

Several themes were reiterated by the participants from the probationary and/or therapeutic points of view. One was the importance of the AA meetings, counseling, and meetings with PO Buell. These kept participants watching their schedules to ensure that meetings were kept. The volunteer hours often moved into some paid work hours, if only parttime. What seemed difficult for some was the paying of fines to the court – if the participant did not have a job, payment was difficult, so support was necessary to encourage those who were job hunting to continue along that path. Losing a driver's license or having a Blow and Go device was on the mind of several.

Justice can take many forms. In Allegan County the specialty courts aid in bringing individuals to a point in life where they can conquer their offenses and begin life with a positive attitude while developing successful habits for supporting family, friends and their communities. Photo: Tingey Law Firm

Some participants voiced concerns about the importance of building a new support system away from Sobriety Court. AA assisted most with establishing that system while others relied on their work. Judge Burnett felt it important to address any issues that participants were having and decide if there were any corrections that needed to be made.

"The whole idea is to reduce reoffending and get people into a situation where they don't need to be drinking," explained Judge Burnett. "The benefit is that there is no jail time. They wear an alcohol monitor. If they are in the program, they can get a restricted license earlier than they would have been able to do otherwise. The Blow and Go ensures that they will not be driving under the influence. In 2024, there were 18 fatal crashes in Allegan County and 13 involved alcohol or drugs. That was an increase from 2023 when 12 crashes involved only 3 related to drugs or alcohol."

The goal of the Sobriety Court is to reduce the number of those drinking and driving to keep everyone safe.

"These are people who are electing to do these programs," emphasized Burnett. "They want to do better and want to get assistance to do better. This is better than going to jail for up to two years. There is the buy in. Each individual has a choice."

Following Judge Burnett's session on February 2nd, each of the court support staff members gave the participants encouragement on what to keep doing and reminders on where to get support if needed.

On this Monday, one of the participants received a certificate to move up to Level 4. This person was thankful not only for the advancement but for being asked to take a support position with an AA group. Three other participants were graduating from the Sobriety Court.

Graduating from Sobriety Court does not mean being done. There is still a probationary period. Each participant has personal goals to achieve, whether it is work related, a family responsibility, or finding the right schedule or support to continue being alcohol or drug free.

On this day, Judge Burnett took time to celebrate the graduations by offering the whole group cake and milk. The conversation was uplifting, but individuals were still taking the opportunity to get questions answered regarding next steps.

Arbor Circle summed it up nicely. Allegan County provides a structured, post-conviction program combining treatment, counseling, and intensive supervision for individuals with alcohol-related offenses. It aims to reduce recidivism, foster recovery, and allow participants to earn restricted driving privileges through compliance with court terms. Those involved expressed many times over how the program had put them on a better path socially and financially.

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Community Events

EVENTS TO WATCH FOR!

Sun. – Sat. 5-9pm: Warming Station when temp below 32 degrees - Community Action of Allegan County 323 Water St. Allegan. Come for a warm spot and a simple meal.

Now – Feb. 28, 2026: Peanut Butter Drive. Celebrate by donating jars of peanut butter or making monetary donations toward a bulk purchase peanut butter for the Allegan Co. Food Pantry Collaborative. Contact Hungry for Christ 269-264-1307 or Allegan County Community Foundation 269-673-8344.

Thurs., Feb. 5, 2026, 7pm: Allegan Jaycees General Members. Sassy Olive 125 Locust St. Allegan

Sat., Feb. 7, 2026, 10am start: Downtown Plainwell Chocolate Stroll

Sat., Feb. 7, 2026, 12pm: Modales Sweetheart Artisan Market. Modales Wines 2128 62nd St. Fennville

Sat., Feb. 7, 2026, 7-10pm: Bourbon Brothers Live. Tantrick Brewing Co 243 Hubbard St. Allegan

Tues., Feb. 10, 2026, 9am: Coffee for Vets. Immanuel Lutheran Church 631 Grand St. Allegan

Tues., Feb. 10, 2026, 11am-1pm: Drop In Meal. Good Shepherd Church 101 N. Walnut St. Allegan

CURRENT EVENTS

Wed., Feb. 4, 2026, 9am-3pm: Diaper Bank
Allegan Community Action 323 Water St. Allegan
Call 269-673-5472 ext. 258, or email diaperbank@communityactionallegan.org.

Wed., Feb. 4, 2026: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10am: Cabin Fever Dance Party! Ages 0-5 can drop in to shake off the winter blues and join the move and groove.
6pm: Pintesting: Cupid's Arrow Wall Hanging. Register at 269 673-4625 to create a handmade piece of art.

Wed., Feb. 4, 2026, 11am-3pm: House of the Rising Song Café
1st Presbyterian Church 200 Cutler St. Allegan
Come during lunch and listen to great music, have lunch, bring your knitting or a guitar and join the open jam session. Music calms the soul.

Wed., Feb. 4, 2026, 5:30-9pm: Down Under Dart League
Tantrick Down Under, 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
Come and join the league or just watch and learn.

Thurs., Feb. 5, 2026: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10:30am: Preschool Storytime. 3-5 year olds can drop in to enjoy stories and activities.
6pm: Craftastic: Watercolor Pet Portraits. Register at 269 673-4625 to create a pet portrait.

Thurs., Feb. 5, 2026, 11:30am-1pm: Multi-Chamber Women's Event
Venue Bella Giornata 1835 84th St. SW Byron Center
Connect with other Chamber women for an event with Grace Gavin of Know Honesty. For information, contact Allegan Area Chamber of Commerce, 269 673-2479

Thurs., Feb. 5, 2026, 6:30pm: Music Bingo Thursday
Tantrick Brewing Co, 243 Hubbard St., Allegan
Come for a night of fun playing a twist round of traditional Bingo.

Thurs., Feb. 5, 2026, 6-8pm: Euchre Night
Lynz Golf Course 500 Lincoln Rd. Otsego
Nightly buy in, includes season ending tournament pot if meeting minimum participation. Individual players wanted. Blind draw for partners

Thurs., Feb. 5, 2026, 7pm: Allegan Jaycees General Members
Sassy Olive 125 Locust St. Allegan
The General Membership Meeting is open to all who are under 40. Be part of a group that improves the community.

Fri., Feb. 6, 2026, 9am-3pm: Diaper Bank
Allegan Community Action 323 Water St. Allegan
Call 269-673-5472 ext. 258, or email diaperbank@communityactionallegan.org.

Fri., Feb. 6, 2026, 4:30-8pm: Fish FRYday
Lynx Golf Course 900 Lincoln Rd. Allegan
Enjoy fried pollack (all you can eat) – served with fries, coleslaw & bread.

Fri., Feb. 6, 2026, 6pm: Family Nerf Night
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
Register at 269 673-4625 to come for an evening of fun and epic battles.

Sat., Feb. 7, 2026, 10am start: Downtown Plainwell Chocolate Stroll
Stroll through downtown while enjoying chocolatey treats, sipping specialty drinks in the social district, and discovering exciting restaurant specials along the way. Shop local, taste something sweet, and soak in the lively atmosphere. The event takes place during participating store hours, so come early and make a day of it!

Sat. Feb. 7, 2026, 10am-3pm: Chocolate Stroll Book Sale
Ransom District Library 180 S. Sherwood Ave. Plainwell
Be sure to purchase 6 books for $1 in the Hill Performance Hall or for half off of $.50 or $1 books in the Bookstore then pick up a chocolate to take home.

Sat., Feb. 7, 2026, 12pm: Modales Sweetheart Artisan Market
Modales Wines 2128 62nd St. Fennville

Sat., Feb. 7, 2026, 7-10pm: Bourbon Brothers Live
Tantrick Brewing Co 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
Enjoy the acoustic picking with great food, brew, house made bourbon.

Mon., Feb. 9, 2026: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
1pm: Drop-In Lego Club. Ages 5-12 can come and create with Legos.
5:30pm: Relax with Cats. Register at 269 673-4625 for a 20-minute session with lovely cats and enjoy hot cocoa with The Country Cat Lady of Wayland.

Tues., Feb. 10, 2026, 9am: Coffee for Vets
Immanuel Lutheran Church 631 Grand St. Allegan
All Vets and those serving in the military forces are invited to coffee and fellowship with coffee and donuts. Questions: call 269 673-3335

Tues., Feb. 10, 2026: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10:30am: Lapsit Storytime. Ages 0-2 can enjoy stories and activities.
6:30pm: Book Club – The Berry Pickers. Drop in to discuss *The Berry Pickers* by Amanda Peters.

Tues., Feb. 10, 2026, 11am-1pm: Drop In Meal
Good Shepherd Church 101 N. Walnut St. Allegan
Enjoy a wonderful meal from Meals on Wheels and conversation with friends. Lunch will be served beginning at 11:30am with time left to chat. RSVP is helpful but not necessary at 269 303-0451.

Tues., Feb. 10, 2026, 2-4pm: Allegan Co. Sr. & Veteran Services
First Presbyterian Church 200 Cutler St. Allegan
Learn about the services available in the Allegan area fro Jen Garcia, director of the program. This is for seniors and caregivers.

Tues., Feb. 10, 2026, 7pm: Sip & Spin Vinyl Night Down Under
Tantrick Brewing Co 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
Bring a favorite Vinyl to DJ PJ and celebrate with the 2-Finger Club

Wed., Feb. 11, 2026: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10am: Sensory Play Day. Ages 0-7 can make art and play in bins.
2pm: Recess for Adults. Join with friends from The Arc of Allegan to enjoy activities and conversation.

Wed., Feb. 11, 2026, NOON: Leader Lunch & Learn
Allegan County Community Foundation invites all nonprofit leaders for learning and personal growth.

Wed., Feb. 11, 2026, 11am-3pm: House of the Rising Song Café
1st Presbyterian Church 200 Cutler St. Allegan
Come during lunch and listen to great music, have lunch, bring your knitting or a guitar and join the open jam session. Music calms the soul.

Thurs., Feb. 12, 2026: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10:30am: Preschool Storytime. Ages 3-5 can enjoy stories and activities.
3:30pm: Teen Art Hangout. Grades 6-12 can drop in and engage in creating a beaded keychain.

Thurs., Feb. 12, 2026, 6:30pm: Music Bingo Thursday
Tantrick Brewing Co, 243 Hubbard St., Allegan
Come for a night of fun playing a twist round of traditional Bingo.

Thurs., Feb. 12, 2026, 6-8pm: Euchre Night
Lynz Golf Course 500 Lincoln Rd. Otsego
Nightly buy in, includes season ending tournament pot if meeting minimum participation. Individual players wanted. Blind draw for partners

Fri., Feb. 13, 2026, 9-10:30am: Great Backyard Bird Count
West Side Park 2152 Lakeshore Dr, Fennville
Assist in determining the Allegan County Birds. Register at https://outdoordiscovery.org/programs/#calendar.

Fri., Feb. 13, 2026, 3:30pm: Teen Heart Keychain
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
Grades 6-12 can drop in to create a Valentine keychain.

Fri., Feb. 13, 2026, 4:30-8pm: Fish FRYday
Lynx Golf Course 900 Lincoln Rd. Allegan
Enjoy fried pollack (all you can eat) – served with fries, coleslaw & bread.

Fri., Feb. 13, 2026, 7pm: Timeless at Sherwood Cove
Sherwood Cove 132 Brady St. Allegan
Timeless will share country, pop, classic rock and Christian from the 1960s to today.

Sat., Feb. 14, 2026, 10-11am: Ice Fishing at Littlejohn Lake Park with ODC
Littlejohn Lake Co. Park 3528 113th Ave. Allegan
All ages can learn to fish for free. Enjoy catch and release with all materials provided. Guardians stay with the youngsters and registration is required at https://www.facebook.com/alleganconntyparksrecreationandtourism

Sat., Feb. 14, 2026: Littlejohn Legacy DUBZ
Littlejohn Lake County Park 113rd Ave. Allegan
The event presented by DISCRAFT benefits the Imagination Library of Allegan County. For more information check in at alleganfoundation.org.

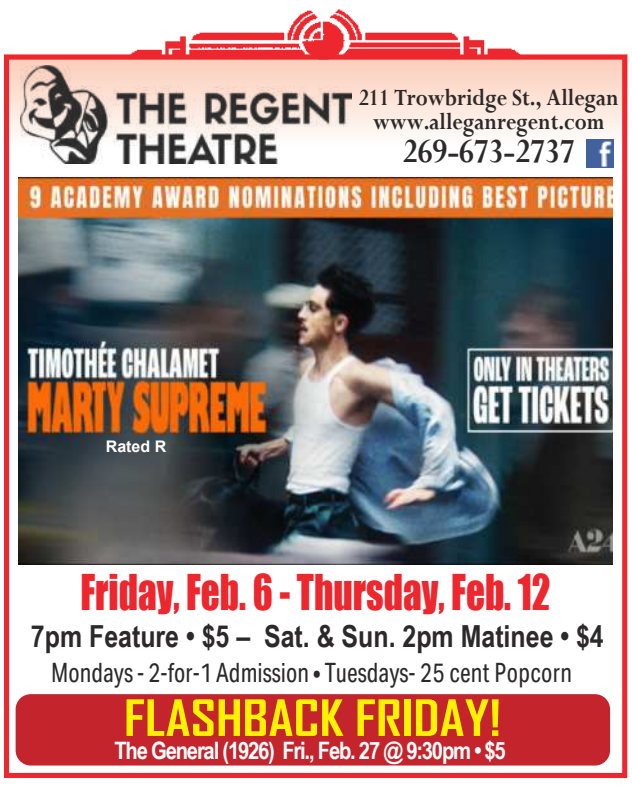
Sat., Feb. 14, 2026, 5:30-9pm: Valentine's Dinner
LYNX Golf Course 900 Lincoln Rd. Otsego
Enjoy a 4-course dinner and dancing with the reservation, then add fresh roses, and caricature artist. Make reservations at https://lynxgc.com/calendar/2026/valentinesdinner.

Sat., Feb. 14, 2026, 7pm: A Toast of Live: The Perfect Pair(ing) Dinner
Tantrick Brewing Co 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
A four course Valentine's experience hosted by Tanya & Patrick. Make reservations at Tantrick Brewing.

Mon., Feb. 16, 2026: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
3:30pm: Kids' Anime Club. All ages can drop in to trade Pokemon cards and get tips from trainers.
6pm: Craftastic: Abstract Art Night. Register at 269 673-4625 to create abstract paintings.

Tues., Feb. 17, 2026: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
10:30am: Lapsit Storytime. Ages 0-2 can drop in to enjoy stories and activities.
3:30pm: Kids' Gaming Club. All ages can drop in to play a variety of board games, card games or Nintendo Wii.

Tues., Feb. 17, 2026, 2-4pm: Clean Eating Club
First Presbyterian Church 200 Cutler St. Allegan
Monthly meeting of this group will discuss topics on clean eating and weight loss. Each meeting will provide help for mastering a way of eating.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2025 Tentative Equalization Ratios and Multipliers by Classification

Government Unit	Agricultural		Commercial		Industrial		Residential		Developmental		Personal	
TOWNSHIPS	Ratio	Multiplier	Ratio	Multiplier	Ratio	Multiplier	Ratio	Multiplier	Ratio	Multiplier	Ratio	Multiplier
Allegan	44.60	1.12108	48.84	1.02375	37.71	1.32591	46.33	1.07921	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Casco	41.52	1.20424	47.19	1.05955	52.33	0.95547	47.70	1.04822	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Cheshire	37.16	1.34553	50.42	0.99167	40.40	1.23762	44.07	1.13456	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Clyde	45.57	1.09721	49.62	1.00766	49.39	1.01235	40.94	1.22130	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Dorr	43.48	1.14995	48.55	1.02987	47.89	1.04406	45.19	1.10644	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Fillmore	43.66	1.14521	42.55	1.17509	42.47	1.17730	45.96	1.08790	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Ganges	42.34	1.18092	49.47	1.01071	46.68	1.07112	45.01	1.11086	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Gun Plain	41.56	1.20308	45.77	1.09242	44.30	1.12867	45.08	1.10914	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Heath	50.33	0.99344	49.34	1.01338	46.74	1.06975	46.44	1.07666	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Hopkins	40.53	1.23365	47.49	1.05285	47.40	1.05485	45.80	1.09170	48.20	1.03734	50.00	1.0000
Laketown	33.96	1.47232	49.51	1.00990	48.15	1.03842	45.51	1.09866	41.23	1.21271	50.00	1.0000
Lee	44.46	1.12461	52.94	0.94447	45.89	1.08956	46.57	1.07365	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Leighton	41.76	1.19732	45.38	1.10181	48.46	1.03178	46.77	1.06906	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Manlius	40.80	1.22549	47.11	1.06135	46.31	1.07968	45.87	1.09004	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Martin	44.55	1.12233	50.26	0.99483	44.56	1.12208	48.57	1.02944	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Monterey	42.07	1.18850	49.40	1.01215	40.93	1.22160	46.60	1.07296	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Otsego	40.91	1.22220	48.69	1.02690	41.03	1.21862	44.49	1.12385	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Overisel	42.49	1.17675	49.07	1.01895	48.46	1.03178	48.30	1.03520	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Salem	39.68	1.26008	45.60	1.09649	45.37	1.10205	46.01	1.08672	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Saugatuck	45.49	1.09914	43.50	1.14943	44.41	1.12587	46.14	1.08366	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Trowbridge	38.84	1.28733	49.65	1.00705	43.66	1.14521	42.82	1.16768	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Valley	44.41	1.12587	51.49	0.97106	49.16	1.01709	45.93	1.08861	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Watson	40.50	1.23457	37.98	1.31648	41.96	1.19161	48.46	1.03178	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Wayland	42.21	1.18455	44.79	1.11632	48.48	1.03135	47.96	1.04254	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
CITIES												
Allegan	NC	NC	46.94	1.06519	48.48	1.03135	45.81	1.09146	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Fennville	NC	NC	46.87	1.06678	45.81	1.09146	44.00	1.13636	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
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Otsego	NC	NC	48.47	1.03157	50.38	0.99246	43.64	1.14574	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Plainwell	45.46	1.09987	42.06	1.18878	38.26	1.30685	45.26	1.10473	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Wayland	NC	NC	50.11	0.99780	41.39	1.20802	44.77	1.11682	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
Saugatuck	NC	NC	43.46	1.15048	NC	NC	42.30	1.18203	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000
South Haven	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	NC	44.41	1.12587	NC	NC	NC	NC
Douglas	NC	NC	43.92	1.13843	47.59	1.05064	46.28	1.08038	NC	NC	50.00	1.0000

NC = None Classified

These tentative ratios and multipliers may be modified as a result of changes in assessed valuations by the Assessor and Board of Review.

Calkins Dam sale proponents and detractors to argue at meeting

By Gari Voss

Consumers Energy and Hull Street Energy, LLC (HSE) affiliate Confluence Hydro announced on September 9, 2025, that an agreement has been reached for the sale of the 13 dams that Consumers had considered removing from their energy supply line. Consumers Energy and Confluence Hydro then began a tour of the communities where the 13 dams were housed. The sale of Calkins Bridge Dam across the Kalamazoo River near Allegan, MI, is now under consideration by the Michigan Attorney General's Office and the Michigan Hydro Relicensing Coalition.

Friends of Lake Allegan shared that local residents should be aware of the issues that will be introduced on February 9, 2026, by multiple parties planning to intervene both for and against this sale. The public will receive only a glimpse of the requests for and against before February 9th.

The public will have an opportunity to hear those arguments live streamed on March 23 and 24, 2026. Links to access the hearing will be posted on the Friends of Lake Allegan Facebook page one week before the live hearing so everyone can participate in listening mode only. Pre-approved intervenors will be the only designated speakers for these hearings.

When Allegan stakeholders were part of Consumers Prosperity Group, Consumers asked those in attendance to go thru an exercise to identify action items that were of the most interest if the dam was sold. The local officials and others in the group came up with a list of items they thought would be important to the lake community if a sale occurred. It was discovered that not a single action item was included in the 2284 pages of Consumers presentation to Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) other than to indicate the existence of the list thru a document prepared by Public Sector Consultants who partnered with Consumers on this exercise. Therefore, there are questions as to the point of the exercise within Consumers Prosperity Group.

Friends of Allegan also shared that Consumers' current financial projections show a net gain on the sale to Confluence assuming final expenses do not exceed sale profits, which are supposed to be disbursed back to rate payers. Plus, they claimed in their filings there will be no goodwill or financial incentives to the lake communities. This appeared to be a tenuous 60-year partnership

At a meeting in Thompsonville, Lawrence stated, "The proposed sale of the 13 dams includes a 30-year power purchase agreement at roughly $160 per megawatt-hour. The rate would increase by 2.5 percent annually to offset inflation and increased maintenance costs.

"For these dams, it means modernizing them for re-licensing. We are committed to re-licensing all 13 of these facilities, but we understand and recognize the fact that we do need to make those investments."

The LARA website has reference to Case U-21985 with comments to ABATE, those explaining why the sale to Hull should not occur, and those believing that the sale should move forward.

The numerous requests for discovery include the intervening parties mostly by the state Attorney General's office and the Michigan Hydro Relicensing Coalition who are representing a number of angler groups on the sale of all 13 dams.

Consumers representatives have stated that should the sale of the dams be denied by the Michigan Public Service Commission or the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the utility company would consider decommissioning the dams rather than relicense.

Friends of Lake Allegan on Facebook and Save the Dams! Continue to monitor the progress of the sale of Consumers' 13 dams.

Wolf announces candidacy for Allegan County District Judge

Veteran defense attorney Heidi L. Wolf announced her candidacy for Allegan County District Court Judge, bringing more than thirty years of courtroom experience and deep community roots to the race.

Born and raised in Allegan County, Heidi is a graduate of Wayland Union High School. She earned her undergraduate degree from the University of Detroit and her law degree from the University of Detroit Mercy. In 1994, Heidi married her Husband Tom Wolf, an Army Veteran and physician assistant. Together, they moved to Allegan in 2006 and have called it home ever since.

Heidi began practicing law in 1994, starting her career in her parents' dining room before establishing offices first in Plainwell and then Allegan. In 1999, she first served as the court-appointed attorney to Allegan County's District Court, a position she held for the next 15 years.

Beyond her legal practice, Heidi has held multiple leadership roles with the Allegan County Bar Association, serving as President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. She spent five years on the board of Allegan County Community Mental Health and served on the board of the Allegan County Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect Council. Heidi developed the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program for the CA/N Council, a program that pairs volunteers with children in Abuse/Neglect Proceedings that is still in use today

Heidi was also instrumental in developing the Mental Health Treatment Court, a specialty program used in District Court that she remains committed to preserving. Her dedication to the community has earned her recognition from readers of the Allegan County News, who have named her Best of the Best Attorney multiple times.

Heidi has earned broad support from those who know our courts best: Circuit Court Judges Matthew Antkoviak, Emily W. Jipp, and Margaret Zuzich Bakker; Probate and Family Court Judge Jolene Clearwater; retired District Court Judges William Baillargeon, Steven Sheridan and Gary Stewart, Sr; and Wayland Police Chief Scott Matice have all endorsed her campaign to serve as Allegan County's next District Court Judge.

"Our courts set the tone for public trust in the justice system," Wolf said. "As your next District Court Judge, I will apply the law with discipline and humility, treat every person with dignity, and ensure that Allegan County's courts remain places where fairness is not only promised, but practiced."

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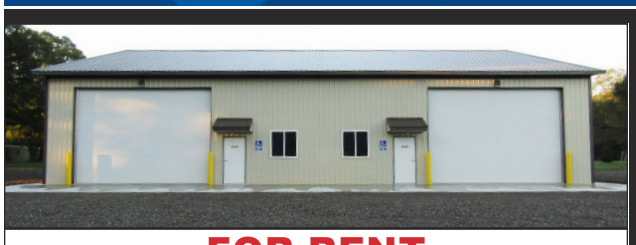

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Messing with your brain to fix tremors, my week in a fog

MIKE'S MUSINGS

MIKE WILCOX
■ PUBLISHER ■

It's been a week.

Struggling with the cold and snow has been one thing, but last Tuesday I had an appointment for focus ultrasound on the brain and since then I have literally been in a fog.

Now some readers might point out that messing with my brain might knock sense into me- sense that is much needed. But sorry, that wasn't the reason for the state-of-the-art procedure.

I have struggled with essential tremor most if not all of my life. It is a malady that makes my dominant hand- my left shake constantly, sometimes uncontrollably, thus drinking, eating or writing my own name is difficult. It is hereditary. My father had it, my sister has it, and my son has had it since birth. It can be embarrassing. You can't eat from a buffet. You get teased by classmates. People think you're an alcoholic.

One of the reasons I had doubt about this procedure was my full head of hair. I had always worn it long and was not looking forward to a shaved head. I was told it was cool to be bald. I'm not sure if I bought into "its cool to be bald mantra" but I was convinced to go for it, which I did, and can't wait for the day when I have lots of hair again.

The new procedure pinpoints exactly the area of the brain that causes the tremors and then zaps it with laser beams to stop the shaking. It is very similar to an MRI, except you are in the machine for about an hour. The final minute of that hour is very intense. The pain and pressure is unbearable.

I was going to slide out from under the machine when that final minute hit me. I couldn't take the pressure. Then I remember the doctor telling me it will only be a minute. I figure I can withstand any pain for a minute. And I did.

I wasn't prepared, however, for the following days. The doctor, nurses and literature all told me I would have headaches, brain fog and dizziness for two weeks. Well, I'm writing this on Day 6, and I'm struggling to write and remember what I was told 5 minutes ago. I wasn't supposed to drive for 2 weeks, but I broke that rule on day three.

It will be a miracle if this column makes sense. It's surreal. I feel stoned without the marijuana. I can't hit the right keys and everything is so slow, even my speech. I have to be careful how I walk because I might tip over. I actually did on day four, pulling a muscle and scraping up my left side substantially.

I'm told, and I'm confident that by the time you read this the brain fog and dizziness will be gone. I will almost be back to normal except now I can use my left hand.

My fiancé is amazed. My son was flabbergasted. Immediately after the procedure the left hand was fully functional. I could drink a glass of water immediately. I could write my name without using my right hand to steady my left.

I'm asked constantly if you would do it again. I wouldn't hesitate. In fact, I might ask them to do my right hand in a few months.

And my apology to those readers who would like to see me in a permanent state of brain fog. Ha ha, it ain't gonna happen.

Life as Performance Art

G CORWIN STOPPEL

The other morning my favorite online news service reported that medicos have more or less concluded that drinking coffee is good for one's health. It's all the enzymes and nutrients that made a favorable impression on the researchers.

For coffee drinkers, the guilt of a cup or two a day has been banished. That makes me happy because I am a coffee overachiever, good for at least six cups a day. Just coffee, preferably strong and bitter, and with no additives like cream, sugar or anything else.

I was not always a coffee drinker. When I was young, The Olds were dead set against letting children drink the stuff. They said it would stunt our growth, ruin our heart and make us feel so wound up it would ruin our sleep.

When I challenged Father about his morning coffee, he hemmed, hawed and said he only did it for "sociability with the boys" when they convened each morning at Woolworth's lunch counter.

Besides, Mother made truly awful coffee. When we had "good company" it was always Sanka, with the name itself pronounced in the most reverential of tones. The rest of the time it was whatever was least expensive at the Piggly-Wiggly.

Either way, it reminded me of the essence of a roadkill skunk who had aged for a few days on the blacktop under a hot August sun.

Nor did I ever care for pop or soda. That was my sister's department. She was and still is addicted to Dr. Pepper.

When I suggested going on a vacation to France, her first question was whether they had cans or bottles of that sickly sweet carbonated prune juice. I assured her they have coffee.

It wasn't until a few years ago when I had my first cup of coffee. My late wife Pat and I were at a summer art camp in southern France. It was a hot afternoon and the only thing they had to drink was espresso. Not surprisingly, French coffee smells like roadkill skunk, but it was either a small cup of espresso or nothing, and the prospect of dying of dehydration was looming closer.

Then I tossed it back. A few minutes later I felt like the top of my head was about to launch into space. I couldn't wait for another hit or two. That was it — I was hooked and have spent much money buying cans of black, acidic, bitter-tasting coffee grounds.

Coffee and coffee houses began in the 1600s in England, with the Jamaica Wine House now recognized as the oldest. In 1688, Lloyd's coffee house opened its doors and soon became a favorite of merchants. It was the original location for the insurance giant Lloyd's of London.

Coffee was new, chic and quickly became popular with almost everyone except the monarchy. The reason was simple: Taverns, such as Ye Olde Cheshire Cheese, established in the 1500s, were favored by writers and journalists, and served alcohol. Alcohol dulled the senses; coffee enticed people to think, and the monarchy did not like their subjects to think too much.

Coffee, and what became known as coffee culture spread to Europe, then the United States.

France and the US have their own styles of coffee culture. The French seem to use coffee as the medium to get together with friends and acquaintance. They meet at their favorite coffee shop, order and sip their drinks for as long as they like. Sometimes they cut it with water to make it last longer.

Jean Paul Sartre and Simone Beauvoir met every morning at the Deux Maggot to discuss philosophy and write. Before them, it was Picasso the artist and Apollinaire the poet who met most afternoons at the same café to discuss modern art and literature.

Hemingway took his coffee across the street at the Brasserie Lipp, where he had a favorite table to meet with other writers. Down the street is the Flore where politicians and journalists have met for decades to exchange views and news, always off the record.

Our coffee culture is different. Here, coffee drinkers have their own language as they order a blend from various plantations around the world, and then use it as the basis for a seemingly exotic drink. Often as not, it goes into a disposal cup, and soon out the door.

In our country, portable coffee is seen as something of a status system. In France, people would be appalled to see someone eating or drinking while walking.

Recently I've been lessons with Madame C. We began with the most important words and phrases to learn in French — swear words. She explained that if I would learn and remember to use the vocabulary I could hurl verbal insults to fellow idiots on the road. It is much safer because they have no idea what I'm saying.

We recently had a late-night discussion about the differences between French and American coffee culture. Madam C said I could not use my "highway vocabulary" inside a café, and it was time to learn new words while discussing the arts, politics or anything else.

Being Parisian, she is appalled at our traditions, well beyond coffee-to-go. Too many choices, too fancy, too little discussion and too few opportunities to use the swear words suitable in public.

Tragically, my joy at the medical hall pass for drinking coffee soon came to an end. The same day I read the good news about drinking coffee, I thought I should pick up another can or four at the grocery. I knew the price had gone up, thanks primarily to the tariffs, but this was sticker shock on steroids.

I turned full-bore Parisian at that moment as I growled at the unpleasant surprise, muttering a few choice words fresh from my latest tutorial under my breath.

I eventually cooled down and made a rational decision. Just as soon as that long-promised tariff rebate or $2,000 compensation check comes from the federal government, I am going to invest a chunk of it in my favorite over-the-counter stock: coffee.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Donald Trump is knowingly shredding our Constitution

Dear Editor:

George Will, New York Times analyst, and legitimate traditional Conservative, last month described Trump and Co. as " a sickening moral slum of an Administration". Mr. Will quit the Republican Party years ago. His core beliefs - constitutionally guaranteed individual liberty, limited government, and free markets … are essentially abandoned under Trump.

Mr. Will particularly disagrees with the "America First Agenda" understood by many as a male dominant, Christian population of light skin color. The idea of America as a melting pot, where the idea that all are welcome who seek freedom and opportunity, no longer defines us.

Rather, we reject DEI, diversity, equity, and inclusion wherever it's found. For many Americans, the response is "What ?!" You're removing the photo of "Say Hey" Willie Mays, and demoting women of rank in our armed forces… he's got brown skin, and ladies can't shoot?

Project 2025 has been the playbook to lawlessly (brutally we see) replace our constitutional government with "white faux Christian male dominated authoritarian governance". Immigrant groups, as always, are easy targets. The overwhelming presence of ICE troops in Minneapolis, 3,000-4,000, gathering up vast numbers of "likely criminals" are not targeted searches, but more a campaign of fear, not just toward "targets" but to regular folks as well, least they know who's in charge.

Over 70 percent of those detainees have had no criminal record. Would not 300 immigration officers, rather than 3,000 shock troops due the job of searching out criminals?

Mr. Trump has called Minnesota's Somali citizens "scum". Do his words need further explanation? How about lawless terrorism. Tragically, the entire world gasps as America "land of the free" watch as one of our cities is flooded with masked, armed, troops, believing that they have absolute immunity to kill (they do not).

Trump's call for "rapid strike police" is clearly in his sight. The Big Beautiful Bill has provided $150 billion in the guise of "border security" to get this done.

This is painfully un-American, and until now, unthinkable. And unconstitutional !

Private to Willie Mays: RIP dear "Say Hey Kid"; they can try to erase you from record books, but we will always remember and love you!

Jim and Linda Kauppi
Allegan

Pharmacist says Roadblocks to Cancer Cure is exactly right

Dear Mike,

As a pharmacist first working at Saugatuck Drugs in the late 1950s and early 1960s and continuing in the practice for 50 years, I thoroughly appreciated your editorial in the January 22, 2026, paper captioned "ROADBLOCKS TO CANCER CURE FRUSTRATING".

You hit the nail right on the head. The bureaucracy has not only interfered with cancer treatments but with all of our healthcare system. That is why there are very few independent pharmacies (Saugatuck is lucky), physicians in private practice, and few locally owned hospitals. Every health care group has their own sets of laws, regulations, and protocols that they have to deal with that sometimes defy logic, and of course, are also limited by the mighty power of the court system. While there have been many, many wonderful advancements in our modern medical treatments and pharmaceuticals, health care has pretty much gone to H E DOUBLE HOCKEY STICKS!

Thanks for listening.
Sincerely, Judd DeYoung

Angel Families: say their names

Dear Editor:

Angel Families in the US number somewhere over 1000. No one knows exactly how many, but you can find their names and stories at alipac.us.

Katie Abraham
Joyce Abramowitz
Brandon Abrams
Margaret Abudawood
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Jesus Manuel Acosta
Saul Lopez Acosta
Trinidad Castro Acosta
Alden Adams
Terrance Aeriel

Anglo, Hispanic, Middle-Eastern – their names reflect diversity. However, all are Americans.

Perhaps the most famous is Laken Riley, the nursing student brutally murdered during her morning run on the University of Georgia campus.

No one knows how many grieving American families qualify as Angel Families, because so many murders are never solved. And some are wrongly reported as "regular" murders, instead of what they are: murders committed by people who had no right to be here.

These families mourn, but they also demand answers. It's quite simple: if US immigration laws had been enforced, their loved ones would be alive today.

How many more would not have been raped, trafficked, mugged, or victimized in other crimes?

City-Data reports Minneapolis crime numbers as "much higher" than the rest of the state since 2007, and more than double the US average (for all but two years).

Was Alex Pretti sheltered from this reality since he worked in a VA hospital ICU/CCU, rather than a city emergency room? Was he a blind idealist? We may never know.

We do know Alex Pretti interfered with law enforcement two times, in support of people who broke the law at least twice. They came illegally, they stayed illegally.

Refusing to release incarcerated illegals to federal agents is only Minnesota officials' latest dereliction of duty. No reasonable person is surprised at the Somali Medicaid fraud in Minneapolis. We're only surprised at the vast extent of it, and the fact that MN officials refused to protect their citizens for that many years, merely to win at politics.

Alex Pretti's death isn't just a tragedy. It's a double tragedy, because his life was valuable, and because he died for a cause that did not deserve his zeal.

Abigail Nobel

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Obituaries

Alan Haley Bradley

Alan Haley Bradley of Plainwell, passed away on Friday, January 30, 2026, at the age of 86. Alan was born on May 6, 1939, in Bay City, MI. Known as AH to his birth family he was the son of Edward Wendell, "Deke" and Maryan (Watrous) Bradley. Alan lived one day at a time with an appetite for varied experiences in relation to his internal life, his family and his investment in friends and community.

Raised in Midland Alan graduated from Midland High School with the Class of 1957. His family were well known and operated the Bradley Funeral Home where a young AH received working and life experience before furthering his education at Michigan State University. It was during this pivotal time that he met the love of his life, Barbara Jackson. Their paths crossed at a dance mixer in the first week of

Barbara's freshman year at MSU, a meeting that grew into a relationship and marriage on April 28, 1962. Together, they built a life filled with love and memories and they kept dancing at weddings and family events for sixty three years. Their connection was strong and notable.

During his college years, Alan took a step away from academics to serve his country honorably in the United States Marine Corps. This service was a point of pride for him and instilled in him values that would inform his style and approach throughout life. Upon returning from the military, he completed his education at Michigan State University, worked throughout the Midwest, and with Barb found their forever home in Plainwell, Michigan in 1973 which served as the backdrop for many significant chapters

Alan Haley Bradley

of his life.

Alan dedicated over 25 years of his career to Parker Hannifin, where he became Director of Purchasing. His professional journey mirrored the dedication and integrity with which he approached every aspect of his life.

Outside of work Alan's interests were varied keeping him in motion physically and mentally. Al was an avid downhill and cross country skier. Gifted with a naturally rich baritone voice which he partnered with playing the guitar (and at times

simultaneously with the harmonica) he facilitated shared music/singing with the family in the evenings. Alan found joy on the golf course and being up to date with the latest in the tech and computing worlds. Additionally he was a dedicated member of Plainwell First United Methodist Church, where he actively participated in various committees, work trips and contributed to the spiritual well-being of his community.

Alan's character was defined by qualities recognized deeply by his family: he was honest, loyal, fun loving, and had a flair for sharing life fully and largely. His spirit resonates in the lives he touched, and he was a friend of Bill W. known for his commitment to long time recovery (50+ years).

Alan leaves behind a legacy that will not soon be forgotten. Alan Haley Bradley is survived by his love, Barbara, with whom he shared a lifetime of adventures large and small and special moments within their intertwined hearts. His memory and lessons will be remembered by the circle of those who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Barbara; four children: Kathleen (Dan) McGlynn of Battle Creek; Eric Alan (partner: Jaime Alberto Canizares) Bradley of New York, NY; Maura (partner: Daniel Kennedy) Bradley of Livonia; Dirk (Danielle Seabold) Bradley of Kalamazoo; and ten grandchildren:

Maura, Shane, Chris, Brendan & Grace McGlynn; Samuel (Jessica), Kellan & Siri Landefeld; and McKenna & Desmond Bradley. He is also survived by his two sisters: Karen Hamp of White Lake; Becky Wardell of Gibraltar; one brother: Charlie Bradley of CA and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents Edward "Deke" and Maryan Bradley and one brother Deke Bradley.

The family will receive friends at the Avink, McCowen & Secord Funeral Home and Cremation Society at 120 South Woodhams in Plainwell on Friday from 6 to 8pm.

Al's Celebration of Life will take place at the Plainwell First United Methodist Church on Saturday, February 7th at 11am.

Please visit www.amsfuneralhomes.com to take time to sign Al's guestbook and share your favorite memory with his family.

Carolyn Marie "Hanks" Howard

Carolyn Marie "Hanks" Howard was born March 28th, 1936. She passed peacefully January 6th , 2026 with her children by her side. Raised in Alabama, she split her time between her grandparents farm in Georgianna and the streets of Mobile. As a young woman she loved going to Mardi Gras and dances at the naval base with her friends. She was a southern girl through and through, even though she spent most of her life in Michigan. After graduating from high school in Mobile in 1954, she stayed there until she met a handsome traveling salesman in early 1958. After a brief long distance romance, Carolyn married Bob Howard on July 26th, 1958. They moved to Plainwell, MI where they raised three children, Pam, Marc, and Karen.

Carolyn was a stay at home Mom until her youngest started school. She then spent many years working, first at Shakespeare as a data processor, and then at Borgess Hospital as a

Carolyn Marie Howard

computer operator until her retirement. She loved to read, sew, and cook. Many times cooking large meals so she could share with her family and friends. Her family would tell you that she made the best pie crust ever. She loved to watch baseball and she loved going to musicals and the theater. She could sit for hours visiting with her friends and she was a professional level shopper. She was also a life long member of The First United Methodist Church.

Once she became a Nana, that was her life. She would drop everything to walk a grandkid to the creek, and her treat jar was always full. She went to their extra curricular activities and there always seemed to be a grandkid or two spending the night at her house. She was happiest when her house was filled with her family. Carolyn created a home that was always a home, long after all the kids were grown. She leaves them all with many loving memories. She was so loved and will be greatly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents, brother, and husband. She is survived by her three children, and eight grandchildren, Miguel and Ricardo Fernandez, Paige Allen, Kyleigh, Cobi, Ally, Elijah Howard, and Landon Murphy.

Cremation has taken place according to her wishes and a graveside burial will take place June 6th at Hillside Cemetary.

Bernie Moored

It is with deep sorrow that we share that Bernie Moored, age 79, passed away at his home in Monterey Township on Monday, January 26, 2026, surrounded by his family after a brief illness.

Bernie was born in Allegan, Ml to Luvena and Ford Moored. Unfortunately, at the age of six, Bernie lost both of his parents in a tragic accident. In an effort to keep the children together, his Aunt Emma and Uncle Harold stepped in to raise Bernie and his siblings along with their own four children.

After 56 years of marriage, he is survived by his wife Elizabeth "Liz" Moored, his three sons and their families: Zach and Becky Moored (Kambria, Kash), Josh Moored and Stacy Erikson (Jace), and Dustin Moored and Autumn Anderson (Roxanne, Elliott), his cousins Sherwin and Cathy Moored and Ruth Gardner, sister-in-law Shirley Moored and Carol Moored, and countless nieces and nephews. While there are so many wonderful family members to mention, he did stay particularly close to his sister Alice's children after her passing and therefore is also survived by Bill and Teresa Creech, Matt and Andrea Creech, Mike and Carol Creech, and Laura and Travis Allison.

Bernie was drafted into the US Army to be deployed to Vietnam but instead spent his service time in Germany as Sergeant E5 where his side gig was as a baker. This skill became something that Bernie became known for as he always brought pies to family holiday parties. Last year, he passed his love of pie making and

Bernie Moored

his secret crust recipe to the next generation.

Bernie retired from General Motors after more than forty years; he helped to close the Kalamazoo plant and then the Grand Rapids plant. In his spare time, Bernie and Liz had an 80-acre farm where they raised pigs, sheep, and a few cattle. Bernie taught 4H and woodworking with any local children that wanted to participate. While Dustin self-proclaimed that he was "too cool" for 4H at the time, Zach and Josh did participate with their dad.

Bernie made his children and his grandchildren the center of his world. Growing up, he taught his sons how to work on cars, how to fix and repair things around the house, and passed on his love for cooking and canning. As their family was blessed with grandchildren, Bernie loved camping and blended their family outings with Becky Moored's parents, as Becky was his "favorite daughter-in-law" (inside family joke). Their family took countless trips to Arizona, the Upper Peninsula, and loved Michigan living.

Bernie was the type of person who would give you the shirt off his back, all while telling you exactly how it was and he didn't mince words. He will be deeply missed by all that knew him.

Visitation will be from 11:00 am -12:00 pm on Saturday, February 7, 2026, at the Gorden Funeral Residence - Allegan Chapel (528 Trowbridge St. Allegan, Ml 49010) with a Memorial Service following at 12:00 pm. A celebration of life will be at 1:00 pm at the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Allegan (110 Chestnut St, Allegan, Ml 49010), which is also the location of Liz and Bernie's first (blind) date! The family asks that you join them for lunch and a toast of whiskey in Bernie's honor.

According to his wishes, cremation has taken place and there will be a private family burial at the Hudson Corners Cemetery at a later date where he will join the eternal resting place of his parents.

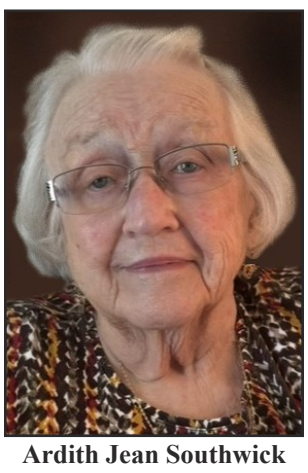
In lieu of flowers and in Bernie's memory and in honor of his friend, Chuck Setter, the family is requesting that any donations are sent to the Charles Setter Automotive Trade School Scholarship through the Allegan County Community Foundation. This scholarship is for any senior of Allegan High School that is pursuing a career in the automotive repair industry after graduation.

If you would like to donate to the scholarship, click this link: Charles Setter Automotive Trade School Scholarship

If you would like to send a check, write Charles Setter/Moored in the memo, please use this address: Allegan County Community Foundation, 112 Locust Street, Allegan, Ml 49010

Ardith Jean Southwick

Ardith Jean Southwick, nee Warner, age 90, passed away January 28, 2026, at home surrounded by her family. Ardie was born May 28th, 1935, in Allegan, to her loving parents, Edward and Cecil (Kaylor) Warner. She met the love of her life, Donald Southwick, at school and married soon after on August 30, 1950. They created a beautiful life together for 60 years until Don was called home, April 30, 2010. Ardie and Don lived most of their lives in Allegan, briefly leaving twice, but ultimately coming back where their family and fond childhood memories were made. They were both saved in 1970 when they accepted Jesus into their hearts as their personal savior, in their living room, after hearing the good news. After raising their family, she went



Ardith Jean Southwick

back to school to earn her GED. She worked for over 10 years at Subway for her daughter where she enjoyed rousing her regular customers and working alongside many of her grandchildren. Her main source of joy and most time-consuming endeavor was keeping up with all the interest, hobbies, and activities of her 27 grandchildren and then her multiple great-grandchildren, who she affectionately got the nickname "Gardie".

She is survived by her 5 children; David Southwick, Vicki and Roger Lambert, Edward Southwick, Scott and Teresa Southwick, and Paul and Laurie, 27 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and her beloved dog, Rudy.

She is proceeded in death by her siblings; Wink, Mercedes, Donnie, Brad, Gerald and Dale.

Memorial donations may be made in Ardith's name to the Congregational Kitchen 323 Cutler Street, Allegan MI, 49010.

Private services have taken place. Interment at Oakwood Cemetery, Allegan.

Brendan James Stevenson

Brendan James Stevenson, 42, of South Lyon, MI, passed away on January 16, 2026. Born on May 22, 1983, in Goshen, IN, Brendan graduated from Allegan High School and later graduated from Eastern Michigan University. Brendan's life was marked by his passion for golf, cooking, and college sports. He was a lifelong fan of Spartan football and basketball. He is survived by his son, Ethan; his mother, Susan Kurtycz Murphy and step-father, Gerald Murphy; his father, James Stevenson; step-mother Nancy; and his brothers, Nathan (Jennifer), Christopher (Alyssia), Daniel, and Jay Murphy.

Memorial services will be held on Saturday, January 24, 2026, from 2-4pm

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Brendan James Stevenson

Brendan, the family requests donations be made to the Michigan Education Savings Plan (MESP) for his son, Ethan. Contributions can be made online at ugift529.com using the code T5L-T4X.

A memorial service for Brendan Stevenson will also be held in Saginaw, Michigan on Saturday, March 7 at 11:00am. Pastor Kenny Walkup will lead the celebration of life service.

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Wayland Schools celebrate inclusion and staff dancing prowess

By Gari Voss

Wayland Union Schools are ignoring the freezing temperatures to showcase diversity and dancing prowess. The week of February 2-6, 2026, will stress that no matter if someone has a disability or difference, inclusion is the name of the game. The staff and students vision will be highlighted with Inclusion Activities on Thursday, Feb. 5, from 6-7pm at Steeby Elementary. At the high school, the buzz is still inclusion with a touch of dance as Wayland Union staff demonstrate their grace and charm during Dancing with the Star Staff on Thursday, Feb. 5th beginning at 7pm at the Wayland Union Fine Arts Center. The week looks to be a wonderful excuse to get out and support the Wayland Union students and staff.

Inclusion Week

Schools work diligently to provide a quality education to all students. For students who struggle because of differences, inclusion in classroom and extra-curricular activities assist in achieving not only a quality education but special social relationships.

Wayland Union Schools take a week each year to celebrate differences and find ways to promote the importance of inclusion.

"Inclusion Week kicks off, and we're so excited to celebrate with a fun lineup of dress-up days that encourage kindness, acceptance, and celebrating what makes each of us unique!" exclaimed the organizers. "Each day, students are invited to participate in themed dress-up days that promote belonging and inclusion across our school community. Dressing up is optional, but the message is powerful: everyone belongs."

Mon., Feb. 2nd: Dreaming of Inclusion. Everyone is encouraged to wear comfy clothes or PJs.

Tues., Feb. 3rd: Inside Out. Everyone should wear the color of an emotion.

Wed., Feb. 4th: Tropical Day. Think sun and wear something tropical for the Ohana (meaning family) dance.

Thurs., Feb. 5th: Team Inclusion. Wear active clothing to celebrate movement.

Fri., Feb. 6th: We are All Wildcats. Everyone should wear Wayland gear.

On Thursday, February 5, 2026, from 6-7pm, Steeby Elementary invites families and the entire community to Disability Inclusion Night. Participants will learn, explore, and connect by becoming involved in multiple hands-on activities, visiting informational booths featuring local services and supports, and enjoying Disability Awareness Read-alouds.

"The goal of this evening is to inform our community about available services while providing students with meaningful, inclusive, and interactive experiences with their peers," the organizers explained. "Let's come together to celebrate differences, build empathy, and show that inclusion matters every day!"

Dancing With the Star Staff!

A star-studded program of Wayland Union Public School staff members will grace the Wayland Union Fine Arts Center stage on Thursday, February 5, 2026, beginning at 7pm. Nine brave, talented staff members will perform with members of the Wayland Union High School Dance Team.

Students, staff, families and community members are encouraged to join in the fun. Be sure to bring plenty of bills to vote for favorite dancer(s). Each $1 is worth a vote.

Staff on stage include:

Andrea Ford, Dorr Elementary Teacher

Leslie Wagner, Assistant Superintendent of Finance

Kelli Vandergelo, Dorr Elementary Teacher

Darrin Door, High School Teacher

Christina Johnson, Pine Street Elementary Teacher

Caitlin Moritz, High School Teacher

Coralie Miller, Dedicated Substitute Teacher & Coach

Sarah Rollandini, High School Teacher

Paul Goodwin, Substitute Teacher & Football Coach.

Again this year, the staff members are competing for the coveted Mirror Ball Trophy. Competition is fierce, and the Wildcat Dance Theatre dancers have coached their dance partners to perfection.

Tickets for this fundraiser can be purchased at the door or online at WUFACTICKETS.LUDUS.COM.

The winners of the Puzzle Race! At the Allegan District Library on Thurs., Jan. 29, 2026, was the Rose Family. They received a trophy created on a 3D printer by Alan Smith, the library's technology coordinator. Photo: Chloe Schans

Five teams compete in Puzzlemania

By Gari Voss

The invitation went out to compete in a Puzzle Race! in the Carnegie Room at the Allegan District Library. Teams up to 4 individuals 18 years or older arrived on Thursday, January 29, 2026, at 5:30pm. The rules were set, and each team was supplied with the same 500 piece puzzle. Murmured conversation could be heard as eyes and fingers found the proper pieces.

Chloe Schans, Adult Programming and Marketing Coordinator, shared, "We had 5 teams total that competed in the Puzzle Race. Teams ranged from 2-4 people per team, and there was a total of 17 people in attendance.

"The winning team, the Rose Family, won a trophy that was 3D-printed by Alan Smith in our Tech Lab. The trophy is made up of different pieces that can be taken apart, spun, and played with like a fidget toy. Each winning team member also was able to pick a puzzle from our puzzle collection to take home."

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Sports

Saugatuck picks up victory over host Clippers

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

MARTIN—After suffering its first loss of the season in its previous game, the Saugatuck girls basketball team was hoping to get back to its winning ways when it traveled to Martin on Friday, Jan. 30.

Mission accomplished.

The dynamic duo of senior Talia Laskowski and junior Mylah Simpson combined to score 37 points, leading the Trailblazers to the 53-39 victory.

The action was the first for Saugatuck in more than a week following the loss to Western Michigan Christian on Thursday, Jan. 22.

Saugatuck coach Kevin Tringali had nothing but praise for his team's performance against the always pesky Clippers.

"I felt like tonight was our most complete game from start to finish," he said. "We valued every possession with only 10 turnovers and felt our defense was on point."

Laskowski led the offensive charge for Saugatuck, scoring 19 points. Eight of those points came in the first quarter, when the Trailblazers built a 19-11 lead.

Saugatuck's lead stood at 30-17 at halftime.

Martin coach Eric Zudweg knew his team was in for a challenge from Saugatuck, which is ranked 10th in Division 3.

"Saugatuck played well," Zudweg said. "Laskowski and Simpson had great nights for them, and were really tough as they always are.

"We had a rough finish at the end of the first quarter and put us in a hole we couldn't get out of."

Simpson was a point behind Laskowski with 18 points. That included six points in the opening quarter and a 7-of-8 showing at the line.

Anna Jager did her best to keep Martin in the game, going for a team-best 16 points.

But that wasn't quite enough, as the Trailblazers improved to 9-1.

Aliyah DeGlopper added eight points in the loss, with Torryn Harris going for six.

"I thought our girls played hard all four quarters," Zudweg said. "But Saugatuck is a really good team with some really good players."

Ada Roth chipped in with eight points for the Trailblazers.

There was little time for Tringali and his players to enjoy the victory, as they returned to action the following day at 3 p.m. by hosting Constantine.

The start of the game—and the outcome—were similar to the Martin contest.

The Trailblazers jumped out to a 20-13 lead after one quarter and cruised to the 55-33 victory.

"Our kids somehow found a way to match last night's energy and effort, which isn't always easy when you're playing for the second time in an 18-hour span," Tringali said.

Simpson and Laskowski once again played leading roles in the win. This time it was Simpson who was the top scorer with 19 points, while Laskowski was next with 14 points.

Laskowski also had eight steals, seven rebounds and six assists to fill up the stat sheet.

Saugatuck's lead stood at 33-19 at the intermission and 46-30 after three quarters.

"We were really pleased with our team defense and the way they moved the ball," Tringali said. "We feel it's now about fine tuning what we do and continue to emphasize the defense as enter the final month of the season."

Penny Grob contributed eight points and three steals to the win, while Charlee Gustafson added six points, 11 rebounds and three assists.

Saugatuck freshman Charlee Gustafson drives to the basket in the win over Constantine. (Photo by Scott Sullivan)

Clippers hold off Trailblazers to earn overtime win

Martin's Weson Elkins looks for an open teammate in a recent game. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

MARTIN—What a difference a month and a half can make.

When the boys basketball teams from Saugatuck and Martin met in December, the Trailblazers were limited to 19 points as the Clippers rolled to a win.

In the rematch in Martin on Friday, Jan. 30, Saugatuck's Sam Bos scored 19 points by himself.

And while Martin ended up winning 47-46 in overtime, Saugatuck coach Ty Rock praised the improvement his team as made in the past six weeks.

"The guys played hard and are starting to play at an intensity that allows us to compete," Saugatuck coach Ty Rock said. "The record book might not show it, but there is improvement each game and we just need to keep doing that."

Martin coach Corby Callaway was definitely impressed with the improvement he saw from Saugatuck.

"Hard-fought win against a much improved Saugatuck team," Martin coach Corby Callaway said. "They gave us problems all night."

Saugatuck played with greater intensity and confidence compared to the first meeting, forcing the Clippers into a tight, back-and-forth battle that wasn't decided until the closing moments.

Martin controlled the action early, taking a 15-8 lead after the first quarter. At halftime, the Clippers' advantage stood at 27-18.

But Saugatuck responded in the third quarter, using a 16-7 scoring edge to knot the game at 34-34 entering the final frame.

The teams matched each other point for point in the fourth stanza, with the score deadlocked at 44-44 to force overtime.

A slim 3-2 edge in the extra session was enough to propel Martin to the win.

"It was an overall great win for us," Callaway said. "This is a game we would have lost the last two years."

The Clippers leaned heavily on Blake Sweeting, who turned in another standout performance with 18 points, 13 rebounds, three steals and three blocks.

"Another huge night for Blake," Callaway said. "Our guys stuck together when things weren't going right and just kept grinding."

Jason Marshall added 12 points, along with four assists and four steals, while Ethan Fitzpatrick chipped in nine points.

Jackson Kennedy finished with eight rebounds, four blocks and three assists.

Callaway said the ability to stay composed in a close game was a positive sign for his team.

Despite the narrow loss, Rock said the focus remains on growth rather than results.

"We just need to keep doing that," he said of his team's improved focus on the fundamentals. "If we do, the wins will come."

Otsego bowling teams beat Plainwell

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

Monday, Feb. 2, was a special night at the lanes as Otsego and Plainwell honored a combined 15 seniors during a Wolverine Conference bowling matchup.

Because both teams practice at the same bowling alley and compete together in two different leagues, the evening carried a unique atmosphere, with the teams exchanging gifts before competition began.

Otsego's girls took control early, winning the opening regular game 616–580 to earn 7.5 of 9 points. The lone split point came from the match's top scorers, as Otsego senior Addy Maisel and Plainwell senior Kayla Frederick each rolled a 156.

Otsego followed with an 8–1 win in the second game and swept the bonus points to take a 17.5–2.5 lead into baker play. The Bulldogs closed out the match with baker wins of 144–84 and 109–105 for a 27.5–2.5 victory.

Frederick finished with the night's high series at 292, while Maisel led Otsego with a 260 series.

The Otsego boys were equally strong on Senior Night. Senior captain Cole Kortokrax set the tone with a 223 game, and the Bulldogs won both regular games 8–1, taking an 18–2 lead into bakers.

Otsego dominated baker play, winning 162–100 and rolling a season-high 236 in the second baker to earn a 28–2 victory. Kortokrax led the Bulldogs with a 394 series, while Nic Adams added a 294.

Earlier in the week, Otsego opened Southwest Conference play against Battle Creek Lakeview, with both boys and girls entering the matches tied in the standings.

The Otsego boys dropped a tightly contested 16–14 decision, as Lakeview edged the Bulldogs by seven total pins. Kortokrax led Otsego with a 367 series, while Mason Van Houten rolled a personal-best 308.

The Otsego girls, competing shorthanded due to a band event, fell 22–8, with senior Hailey Burd stepping in to lead the Bulldogs with a 144 game.

The bowling teams from Otsego (below) and Plainwell (above) celebrated a joint Parents Night when the teams squared off at Revel & Roll West on Monday, Feb. 2. (Photos by Sonia Kling)

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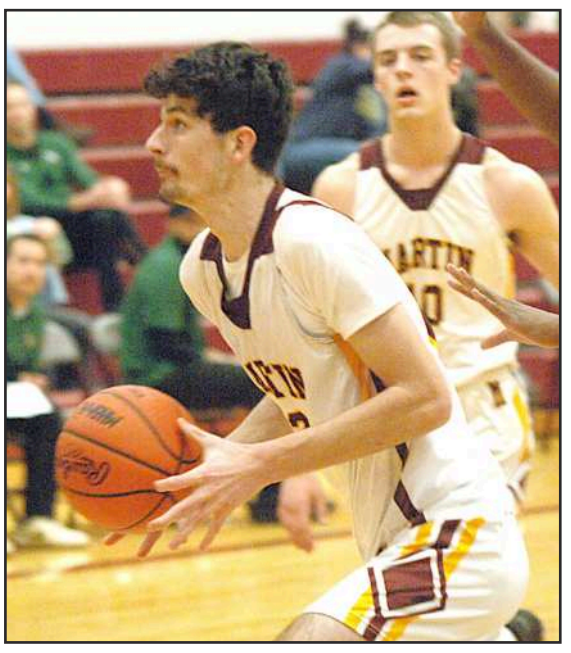
ATHLETE of the WEEK

Blake Sweeting
Martin
Boys Basketball

A monster game from Blake Sweeting helped the Martin boys basketball team survive a scare from visiting Saugatuck on Friday, Jan. 30.

Sweeting collected a double-double with 18 points and 13 rebounds to lead the Clippers to the 47-46 win in overtime.

Sweeting also blocked three shots and dished out three assists.



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Bulldogs pull away, cruises to win over visiting Niles

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

OTSEGO—Interesting.

That's the word Otsego girls basketball coach Tony Koshar used to describe his team's Wolverine Conference clash with visiting Niles on Friday, Jan. 30.

And what was it about the game that made it interesting?

Well, Niles started the game on fire from long range, knocking down five 3-pointers to take a 20-17 lead at the end of the first stanza.

From there, though, Niles managed just 12 points as the Bulldogs pulled away for the 78-32 victory.

"Niles came out and gave us a good shot early," Koshar said. "But you could see our pressure was starting to get to them and we were able to take over from there."

The second quarter saw Otsego hold a 25-5 scoring edge, giving the Bulldogs a 42-25 lead at halftime.

Brooke Smalldon led that second-quarter charge, scoring 16 of her game-topping 21 points during the stanza. In the process, she showed off her impressive versatility.

"Brooke did it all kinds of ways as she made three layups off of steals from our press, made a 3-pointer and also was 7-of-7 from the free throw line in the quarter," Koshar said.

The momentum Otsego established in the second quarter carried over the second half. The Bulldog outscored Niles 17-7 in the third quarter before closing out the game with a 19-0 scoring run in the final frame.

"I was really impressed by our relentless nature for all 32 minutes," Koshar said. "It is something we have been asking the girls to accomplish and we saw that tonight.

"We pulled the press early in the second half, but the girls maintained tight half-court defense beyond that."

Mya Engbers added 17 point for Otsego, including a 3-of-3 performance from beyond the 3-point line. Audrey Lingbeek chipped in with 10 points to give the Bulldogs a third double-digit scorer, while Madden Fitzpatrick had eight points and six rebounds.

In addition to her offensive production, Smalldon snagged a team-best eight rebounds, dished out a team-best five assists and had four steals.

Engbers had five steals.

"All in all, everyone who was available to play got in the scorebook and it was a solid night for us," Koshar said.

Malania Miller eyes the basket in a recent game for Otsego. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)

Tigers claim two straight victories

Jayden VandenAkker drives for Allegan.

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

WATERVLIET—In the opening game of the season for the Allegan girls basketball team, Watervliet came to town and handed the Tigers a loss.

On Friday, Jan. 30, Allegan repaid the favor.

The Tigers traveled to Watervliet and, after building a big halftime lead, held off a late charge by the Panthers to secure the 34-27 victory.

"We wanted to get some payback for the first game of the season and we were able to do that," first-year Allegan coach Ernie Ramirez said. "The girls have been playing much better of late and had lots of energy on the bus ride there.

"Once we hit the floor, it was all business."

That it was, as the Tigers jumped out to an 11-3 lead. By halftime, Allegan's advantage had ballooned to 20-5.

Watervliet made some halftime adjustments and made a run in the second half, but it wasn't enough as the Tigers improved to 2-7 for the season.

"The key to victory was team defense," Ramirez said.

Sydney Cooley scored a team-topping 12 points for Allegan. Jayden Vandenakker was close behind with 11 points to go with four blocks.

"We're starting to play better and the best basketball still to come," Ramirez said.

Two days later, Allegan made it two wins in a row with a 40-38 victory over Black River.

Camdyn Drozd had a monster game for the Tigers, going for 16 points and 13 rebounds.

VandenAkker added 12 points and four blocks.

On Wednesday, Jan. 28, Allegan traveled to Bridgman and dropped a 42-28 decision after falling behind 18-0 after one quarter.

VandenAkker led the way with 12 points. Cooley chipped in with six points.

Plainwell falls short in back-and-forth battle with Sturgis

Tessie Kiel handles the ball for Plainwell.

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

PLAINWELL—The growth was obvious Friday night, even if the final result wasn't what Plainwell wanted.

After losing 50–33 to Sturgis earlier this season, the Trojans turned the rematch into a down-to-the-wire battle, falling 47–45 in a tightly contested Wolverine Conference game.

Plainwell trailed 15-13 after one quarter before knotting the score at 27-27 at halftime, setting the stage for a competitive second half.

Sturgis edged ahead in the third quarter, taking a 41–36 lead, but Plainwell refused to let the game get away.

"We didn't get the outcome we were hoping for, but I can definitely say the girls stepped it up and gave it a great fight," Plainwell coach Elexis Buchanan said. "On paper we were pretty much neck and neck the whole time through."

The Trojans cut the deficit to two points late in the fourth quarter and had chances down the stretch, but a few shots didn't fall as time ran out.

"It literally came down to the last minute, and I'm proud of the diligence and tenacity my girls showed," Buchanan said. "This was a huge boost from the last time we faced Sturgis."

Kaylee VanAtter led Plainwell with 18 points, while Alyssa Weldon added 12. Anna Overway scored seven points, and Alayna Ranney chipped in four as the Trojans got contributions throughout the lineup.

Allegan swim upends Hastings

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

The Allegan boys swim team continued its strong season Tuesday night, rolling past Hastings 91–51 to remain unbeaten as the regular season enters its final two weeks.

Allegan showed its depth throughout the meet, picking up wins in both individual events and relays.

Event winners for the Tigers included Josh Kelley in the 200 freestyle; Sam Kelley in the 50 and 100 freestyle; Corbin Chopp in the 100 butterfly; Cadel Conrad in the 100 backstroke; and Oliver Burnett in the 500 freestyle.

Allegan also swept the relays. The Tigers opened the meet with a win in the 200 medley relay, swum by Chopp, Ezra Smith, Conrad and Sam Kelley, and closed the night by capturing the 400 freestyle relay behind Conrad, Josh Kelley, Smith and Chopp.

Second-place finishes for Allegan came from Conrad in the 50 freestyle, Josh Kelley in the 500 freestyle, Chopp in the 100 backstroke, Burnett in the 100 breaststroke, and the 200 freestyle relay of Sam Kelley, Gabe Thorsen, Noah Greig and John DeLaet.

Also placing in the top three were Thorsen in the 200 freestyle, DeLaet in the 200 individual medley, Smith in the 500 freestyle, and the 200 medley relay team of Thorsen, Burnett, DeLaet and DeLaet, which finished third.

As the season has progressed, the Tigers have continued to show improvement across the board.

"Our swimmers keep dropping time, racing with confidence and supporting one another both in practice and competition," Allegan coach Carol Gephart said. "Their positive attitudes and commitment to daily improvement have been a big part of our success."

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COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Salute to Senior Citizens:
Honoring a Lifetime of Contribution

Across Allegan County, senior citizens continue to play an essential role in shaping the communities we call home. Their lives reflect decades of hard work, sacrifice, and commitment, forming the foundation upon which today's neighborhoods, businesses, and institutions were built. Long after retirement, many remain active, engaged, and deeply invested in the well-being of those around them.

Senior citizens are the keepers of local history and tradition. They remember the county as it once was and offer perspective on how it has grown and changed over time. Through stories, shared experiences, and quiet guidance, they pass along lessons that cannot be found in textbooks. Their wisdom helps younger generations better understand the value of perseverance, responsibility, and community pride.

Many seniors continue to give back in meaningful ways. They volunteer with local organizations, support churches and civic groups, and lend a helping hand to neighbors whenever needed. Some care for grandchildren, others mentor young people, and many offer steady leadership within community boards and service clubs. Their contributions may not always be highly visible, but their impact is felt throughout Allegan County.

Senior citizens have also helped sustain the local economy and workforce for decades. They worked in factories, farms, offices, and small businesses, helping to build the county's prosperity. Even in retirement, many continue to support local shops, attend community events, and invest their time and resources close to home. Their continued involvement strengthens both social and economic ties.

As the county grows, it remains important to recognize the needs and contributions of older residents. Access to healthcare, transportation, housing, and social connection plays a vital role in ensuring seniors can live with dignity and independence. Supporting senior citizens means supporting the entire community, as their well-being affects families across generations.

At Allegan County News, Commercial Record, and Union Enterprise, we proudly salute the senior citizens of Allegan County. Today, we honor their lifetime of service, their enduring influence, and the example they set for future generations. Their legacy is woven into the fabric of our communities, and their presence continues to make Allegan County a better place to live.

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Faces in the Crowd

By G C Stoppel

We have already explored the great toilet roll controversy of whether paper should come from over the top or the under the bottom. Today, we explore another major controversy that divides many homes: Should cutlery be pointed up or down in the dishwasher?

-Woman in front of the Allegan hardware store: "You serious? With all that's going on in the world, this is an issue? Well, I put mine facing up so the water jets get them clean."

-Woman with her, same location: "No! That's wrong! It's too dangerous because you could get cut."

-Young man near the Fennville grocery store: "Most times I just run 'em under the faucet and let them air dry. Keeps it simple, that way."

-Young woman near the Allegan Public Library: "I don't know. It's not something I think about." Glares at me."Now that's going to get stuck in my mind. My partner thinks if she gets them in the sink that's good enough. Then I have to put them in the washer. And take them out."

-Young man near A-tech: "We mostly use plastic, so it has to be washed by hand. It saves a lot of time and work that way."

-Older woman in the Huntington Bank: "I learned that knives should face down, forks and spoons should face up. That's how I've been doing it for years. I don't think the government has a law about it one way or the other. They got laws for everything else, you know, so maybe they soon will."

-Couple, same location; Woman: "We got a system. I cook and he cleans up. I'm better cooking and he's better at cleaning up, so it balances out." Man: See, I've got this system. There's this basket thing that's divided into six parts. One for the knives, another for the forks, and the third for the spoons. I put everything where it belongs 'cause it's easier to take them out that way." Woman again: "He likes to be super tidy."

Book review: My Parents Are Dead

By Terri Schlichenmeyer

You have a lot in common with Rapunzel.

Snow White, too. And Cinderella, Harry Potter, and Peter Pan. All these book and movie characters were orphaned in one way or another, and that's about to be your new life. Right now, you can't even imagine your next steps, but there's help: in "My Parents Are Dead: What Now? By Becky Robison, you'll see that this is no fairy tale.

It's expected – but expectation doesn't make it suck any less.

When Becky Robison lost her parents a few years apart, she knew what was coming; both had health issues, and Robison saw the future. She was in her thirties then, and everyone said she was "so young."

Very few of her friends had ever been in the same position. They'd never chosen a casket or crafted an obituary. Local funeral homes were barely on their radar. Robison, who is now a death doula, realized then that a one-stop resource was needed.

If your parents are still around now, she says, demand a few difficult conversations. Find out about bank accounts, investments, life insurance policies, passwords, and any pre-paid accounts for funerals, what to do with their pets, and who should be notified when the end happens. Have this info now, and save yourself tons of hassle.

Know the various ways and places to die, and how things look when the end is near. Delegate, delegate, delegate; Robison offers entire lists of what others can do for you. Consider finding a professional to guide you through both the mundane and the emergencies. Know when and what paperwork you'll need, how to get the right advice from a funeral director, and how to choose a place for a wake or post-funeral gathering.

Finally, you'll probably need a lawyer. You might have to have an accountant, too, if the estate is complicated. Know how to find both experts, and what to ask.

Just don't look for them here, though. Author Becky Robison warns readers up-front that her advice doesn't take the place of experts in various fields. She's not a lawyer, but in "My Parents Are Dead: What Now?", she is a world of help.

From that first peek into what's coming, to suicide, accidents, and the rage a survivor might feel in the weeks following death, Robison covers just about anything you might need to know about your next steps and any pitfalls you might encounter. There are insistent reminders here that delegation is key to keeping one's sanity; sidebars for much-needed self-care are abundant and hard to miss; and Robison asked experts for advice "so you don't have to." Just knowing this information is in one place is like having an auntie or sister you can count on, leaving a reader feeling in control, smarter, and less stressed.

Robison stresses that this book is for adults, yet a savvy 17 or 19-year-old will find much-appreciated information here, too. If you need it – or you will – "My Parents Are Dead: What Now?" will help in this hairy situation.

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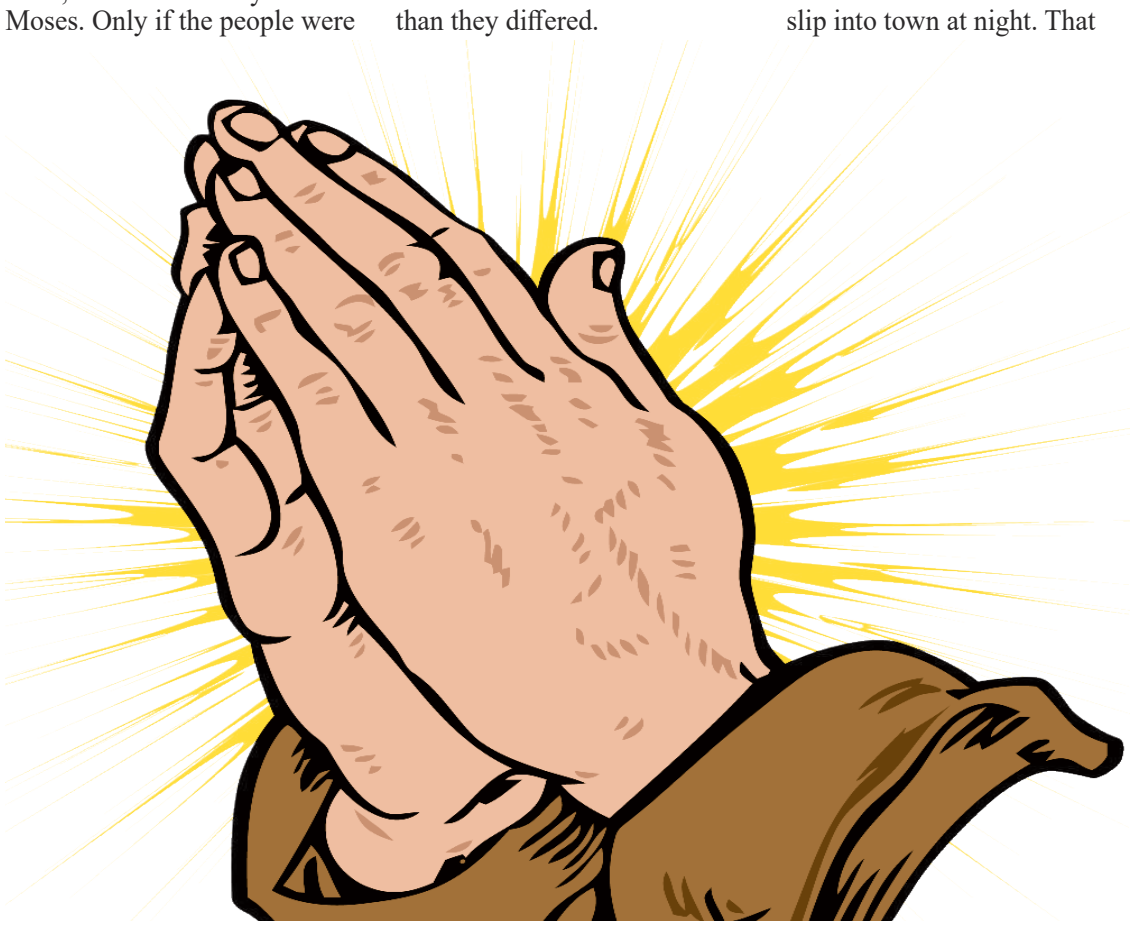
Near the end of the second chapter of St John's Gospel, and extending into the third, is the story of Nicodemus. One night he went to where Jesus was staying, and the two men had a long and cordial conversation. Those two facts interrupt what many of us long believed about the relationship between the Pharisees and Jesus.

Throughout the gospels, it almost seems as if every encounter between Jesus and the Pharisees is tense and almost combative. In turn, probably in our Sunday school days, we began interpreting the Pharisees as the Lord's enemies, and that led us into believing that they were the 'bad guys,' or to use today's parlance, 'bad actors.'

The real problem is that Jesus and the Pharisees were spiritual men, devoted to loving and service the Lord God, but they lived out their faith from different perspectives. Jesus is more concerned about the well-being of other people than he was about a very strict observance of the religious laws. If someone needed to be healed of an illness, even if it was the Sabbath, Jesus reached out to take care of them. Doing good, even on the official day of rest, was the right thing.

Conversely, the Pharisees emphasized obedience to the laws as a tangible way of honoring the Lord God. That is a tradition that goes back at least to the time of Ezra and Nehemiah, if not all the way back to Moses. Only if the people were absolutely scrupulous about obeying the Law would God continue to protect His people.

In short, two different approaches to arriving to the same place; two different groups who had shared more in common than they differed.



The surprising point in this passage is the Nicodemus went to see Jesus after dark. That simply was not done because people feared bandits and murderers, as well as predator animals who sometimes would slip into town at night. That leave us asking the challenging question: Why? Was it because Nicodemus was impatient and wanted answers at that very moment? Or, perhaps he wanted to avoid being seen and challenged by his fellow Pharisees. We will never know, and an answer is not all that truly important.

What is important is the Nicodemus was searching for greater spiritual fulfillment, and that he believed only Jesus could help. This is a reminder to us that there is no value in waiting until what we think will be the right moment to spend time with God. Nor is there ever a wrong time.

Second, if we are looking for a dramatic conversion moment when Nicodemus is born again, we don't find it in the gospel. Rather, we see what can best be described as a quiet conversion. However, we can be very certain of that because only a short time later, after Jesus had been taken down from the cross, it was Nicodemus who brought the spices for his burial

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Pastor Julia Humenik
Church: 673-4236;

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Fr. Simon Manjooran
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Pastor Chad Peckham
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Pastor Herb Curry
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Pastor Wally Coots

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
687 Linn Street, Allegan
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Church of God - Otsego
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Pastor Stephen Burrow Sr.
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1632 142nd Avenue
Dorr, MI 49323
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Pastor Tommy Boutell

Dunningville Reformed Church
2559 M-40, Allegan
Church: 751-5894
Pastor Eric Burrows-Stone
dunningville.org/index.html

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510-118th Ave., Martin
269-672-5746
www.eastmartincrc.org

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4219 Parklane, Dorr
www.epiphanydorr.org
Sunday service at 9:15 a.m., Bible Study and Sunday School following

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd
101 North Walnut St, Allegan
Office: 673-2254

Faith Baptist Church
2846 125th Ave., Allegan
John Looman, Pastor
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Fennville Assembly of God
5897 124th Ave.
Fennville, MI 49408
269-561-2683

Fennville United Methodist Church
5849 124th St., Fennville
269-561-5048
Bob Lynch, Pastor
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First Presbyterian Church
200 Cutler Street, Allegan
Church: 673-4631
www.fpcallegan.org
10:00 service time.

First Baptist Church
1290 32nd St., Allegan
Service at 10:00am
Pastors Nathan Smith & Brendon Bayley
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247 E Allegan St., Otsego
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Church Office: 673-3139
Pastor Todd Wagner

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First Presbyterian Church of Plainwell
303 East Bridge St.
Plainwell, MI 49080
685-5990

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104 Baker St., Hopkins, MI
Pastor Chris Cronk and Worship Pastor Tony Caldarona
Office 793-7929

Ganges Baptist Church
6577 122nd Avenue, Fennville
269-543-4203
11AM each Sunday

Ganges United Methodist Church
2218 68th St
Fennville MI 49408
Phone 269-543-3581
Lay Minister - Marcia A. Tucker

Grace Church of Hamilton
3690 Lincoln Rd. P.o. Box 97
Hamilton Mi 49419
269.264.4900
Gracechurchofhamilton@gmail.com

Hope Lutheran Church
290 12th St., Plainwell
(269) 685-1348
Pastor Nicole Smith
Worship 10:30am; S. School 9:15am

Hopkins Community Reformed Church
2142 128th Ave., Hopkins
(269) 793-7361
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Hopkins United Methodist Church
322 N. Maple St., Hopkins
(269) 793-7323
Pastor Kelsey French

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269-521-4580 ·
Pastor Don Miller

Immanuel Lutheran Church
631 Grand Street, Allegan
Church: 673-3335
Rev. Christopher Laughlin

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness
2199 Taft Road, Allegan
Phone: 673-6179

Living Waters Community Church
5458 M-89, Fennville
Service: 10:30 Sundays
Pastor Andrew Leach
269-561-5277

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1073 W. Allegan St., Martin
Pastor: Matthew Hendricks
672-5596

Martin United Methodist Church
969 E. Allegan St., Martin
Pastor Margaret Stoken
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www.mersonchurch.org

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Pastor Everett Belue
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Hamilton. Mi. 49419
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10:00 a.m. Worship
Reverend Dan Minor
Otsegomethodistchurch.org

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(A Global Methodist Church)
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9:30 Fellowship 10:00 Worship
Rev Ron Hansen
Pathfindernorth.com

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www.peaceotsego.com
694-6104

Pearl United Methodist Church
1689 56th St., Fennville
269-561-5048 Worship 9:30 am
Bob Lynch, Pastor
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2281 57th St, Fennville
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Plainwell Church of Christ
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Plainwell, Michigan 49080

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(269) 685-8888
Pastor George Osborn

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200 Park St. Plainwell
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616-218-1556
Pastor Sarah Montgomery

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1900 M-40, Allegan
Pastor Deborah Lesher
Church: 269-355-1167

Refreshing Springs Ministries
201 Briggs St., Allegan
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Pastor Adrian Hall

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605 W. Allegan, Otsego
269-672-9904
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Seventh Day Adventist Church
229 Cutler Street, Allegan
Dan Rachor, Pastor
Church: 673-3284

Shelbyville United Methodist Church
938 124th Ave., Shelbyville
672-7097 - Church office
Pastor Margaret Stoken

South Monterey United Methodist Church
Pastor Kelsey French
Church: 793-7323

St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church
11850 9 Mile Rd., Shelbyville
269-664-4345
Service: Sundays 9:30 am

Saint John's Church Of God In Christ
716 Academy St, Allegan
Rev. Jeremiah Johnson Sr.
Phone: 673-8590—673-3007

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
1764 34th St., Allegan
Pastor Ronald Kruse 673-2079
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

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766 S. Farmer St., Otsego
269-694-6311

Third Coast Community Church
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269.857.5633
6069 Blue Star Hwy, Saugatuck, MI 49453
Sunday Worship: 10:00am

Trowbridge Community Church
355 26th Street, Otsego
Pastor Mykel Hall, Pastor
Church: 673-5502

Unity Baptist Church
35 14 12th St. Wayland
Pastor Kelly Ryan
Cell # (269) 330-2217

Watson Bible Church
1626 116th St., Otsego
Pastor Tim Morris
672-2166

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502 West Superior, Wayland
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CITY OF ALLEGAN

Allegan County, Michigan
RESOLUTION NO. 26.02
RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF
2026 SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM FIRST LIEN REVENUE BONDS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended (the "Act") the City Council of the City of Allegan (the "City") has determined to make improvements to the City's sanitary sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the improvements will enable the City to provide more efficient and better quality public services to the users of the sanitary sewer system; and

WHEREAS, the cost of making the improvements is estimated not to exceed $10,040,000; and

WHEREAS, the improvements shall be financed in whole or in part by the issuance of revenue bonds in accordance with the Act in the sum of not to exceed $10,040,000; and

WHEREAS, the Act permits the City to authorize, within limitations that shall be contained in the authorizing resolution, an officer to sell, deliver and receive payment for obligations, and to approve interest rates or methods for fixing interest rates, prices, discounts, maturities, principal amounts, denominations, dates of issuance, interest payment dates, optional or mandatory redemption rights or tender rights, obligations to be exercised by the City or the holder of the bonds, place of delivery and payment, and other matters and procedures necessary to complete an authorized transaction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. DEFINITIONS. Except as provided in this Resolution, the definitions contained in the Prior Resolution (defined below) shall apply to the terms in this Resolution. In addition, whenever used in this Resolution except when otherwise indicated by context, the following definitions shall apply to the terms in this Resolution:

(a) "Additional First Lien Bonds" means any additional bonds of equal standing with outstanding First Lien Bonds as authorized by Section 23 of the Prior Resolution, as amended.

(b) "Authorized Officer" means the Mayor, the City Manager, and the Finance Director of the City, or any one or more of them.

(c) "Bonds" as defined in the Prior Resolution shall include the Series 2026 Bonds that are being issued as First Lien Bonds under Section 23 of the Prior Resolution.

(d) "Construction Fund" shall mean the 2026 Sanitary Sewer System Revenue Bonds Construction Fund created pursuant to Section 16.

(e) "Improvements" means the design, acquisition and construction of improvements to the System, including without limitation, the replacement of sewer mains, improvements to sewer mains, lining of sewer mains and construction of new sewer mains, construction of a sludge thickening process at the Allegan Water Resource Recovery Plant, the restoration of streets, rights-of-way and easements affected by the improvements and related facilities, as well as all work, equipment, and appurtenances necessary or incidental to these improvements and such other improvements to the System as the City may determine to make.

(f) "Paying Agent" means the paying agent designated and serving pursuant to Section 8 of this Resolution.

(g) "Prior Resolution" means Resolution 08.31, as supplemented by Resolution 10.30, Resolution 12.24, and Resolution 22.36.

(h) "Resolution" means this Resolution and all amendments hereto.

(i) "Series 2026 Bonds" means the City's Sanitary Sewer System First Lien Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 issued pursuant to this Resolution.

Section 2. NECESSITY, PUBLIC PURPOSE: It is hereby determined to be necessary for the public health, safety, and welfare of the City to acquire and construct the Improvements to the System in accordance with the maps, plans, and specifications therefore prepared by the City's consulting engineers, which are hereby approved.

Section 3. ESTIMATED COST; PERIOD OF USEFULNESS: The cost of the Improvements has been estimated by the engineers not to exceed $10,040,000, including the payment of legal, engineering, financial and other expenses, which estimate of cost is approved and confirmed, and the period of usefulness of the Improvements is estimated to be greater than thirty (30) years.

Section 4. ISSUANCE OF BONDS. To pay a portion of the cost of designing, acquiring, and constructing the Improvements, to fund additional deposits to the Bond Reserve Account, and to pay the legal and financial expenses and all other expenses incidental to the issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds, the City shall borrow the sum of not to exceed $10,040,000 and issue its revenue bonds pursuant to the provisions of the Act. The Series 2026 Bonds shall be issued in the aggregate principal sum of not to exceed $10,040,000, as finally determined by the Authorized Officer in an order signed by the Authorized Officer (the "Sale Order").

Section 5. SERIES 2026 BOND TERMS. The Series 2026 Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form as to both principal and interest, in denominations of $5,000 each or any multiple of that amount. The Series 2026 Bonds shall be dated the date of delivery, or such other date approved by the Authorized Officer, and shall mature serially or as term bonds subject to mandatory redemption as determined by the Authorized Officer in the Sale Order. The Series 2026 Bonds shall bear interest at a rate or rates and shall be payable semiannually on dates all as determined by the Authorized Officer at the time of sale. The Authorized Officer may alter the Bond terms within the parameters of this resolution as hereafter provided.

Section 6. PAYMENT OF BONDS; PLEDGE OF NET REVENUES. As provided in Section 6 of the Prior Resolution, the principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bonds, as First Lien Bonds, shall be payable solely from the Net Revenues derived from the operation of the System, including future improvements, enlargements and extensions thereof, after provision has been made for the payment of expenses of administration, operation and maintenance thereof and the Net Revenues of the System, including future enlargements, improvements, and extensions thereto, are hereby pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bonds. To secure the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bonds there is hereby created a statutory lien to and in favor of the Bondholders of the Series 2026 Bonds upon the Net Revenues of the System, including future enlargements, improvements, and extensions thereof, which is a first lien of equal standing and priority with respect to the Net Revenues of the System securing First Lien Bonds that may be issued from time to time, and superior to the junior lien on the Net Revenues of the System securing any Junior Lien Bonds. The Net Revenues so pledged shall be and remain subject to such lien until the payment in full of the principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bonds or until the Series 2026 Bonds are defeased.

The Series 2026 Bonds, including both principal and interest thereon, shall not be a general obligation of the City and shall not constitute an indebtedness of the City for the purpose of any debt limitations imposed by any applicable constitutional, statutory or charter provisions.

Section 7. PRIOR REDEMPTION:

(a) The Series 2026 Bonds may be subject to redemption prior to maturity, as a whole or in part, in such order as the City might determine and at the option of the City, on any date, as determined by the Authorized Officer in the Sale Order.

(b) Notice of Redemption. Notice of redemption of the Series 2026 Bonds shall be given by mail to the Registered Owners of the Series 2026 Bonds to be redeemed not less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, addressed to the Registered Owner at the registered address shown on the registration books of the City maintained by the Paying Agent. Series 2026 Bonds so called for redemption shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, provided funds are on hand with the Paying Agent to redeem the same.

Section 8. PAYING AGENT AND REGISTRATION.

(a) Appointment of Paying Agent. From time to time, the Authorized Officer shall designate and appoint a Paying Agent for the Series 2026 Bonds, which may also act as transfer agent and bond registrar. The initial Paying Agent for the Series 2026 Bonds shall be Argent Institutional Trust Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan, or such other Paying Agent designated by the Authorized Officer. The Authorized Officer is authorized to remove the Paying Agent and to appoint a successor Paying Agent. In the event of a change in the Paying Agent, notice shall be given in writing, by certified mail, to each Registered Owner not less than 60 days prior to the next interest payment date. The Paying Agent shall keep the official books for the recordation of the Registered Owners of the Series 2026 Bonds.

(b) Book-Entry Eligible. At the option of the initial purchaser, the Series 2026 Bonds may be issued initially in book-entry-only form as one fully registered bond per maturity and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as bondholder and nominee for the Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository for the Series 2026 Bonds, purchase of the Series 2026 Bonds will be made in book-entry-only form, in the denomination of $5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, and purchasers will not receive certificates representing their interest in Series 2026 Bonds purchased. Payment of principal and interest will be made by the Paying Agent to DTC. While the Series 2026 Bonds are held in book-entry-only form, the Series 2026 Bonds shall be transferred in accordance with the procedures established by DTC. So long as the Series 2026 Bonds are registered to DTC or another bond depository, the Paying Agent or bond registrar shall have no responsibility with respect to such transfers. The Authorized Officer shall have the authority from time to time to appoint a successor depository trustee to serve in the place of DTC. While the Series 2026 Bonds are issued in book-entry-only form the Paying Agent shall serve as paying agent only.

(c) Registration of Bonds Outside of Book-Entry. If book-entry form is not chosen or is discontinued, the provisions of Section 8(b) of the Prior Resolution shall apply to the Series 2026 Bonds.

Section 9. SALE OF BONDS. The Series 2026 Bonds shall be sold pursuant to a competitive sale. The Authorized Officer shall set the date and time for sale of the Series 2026 Bonds, which date shall be at least seven (7) days after the publication of the official notice of sale and the Authorized Officer shall cause notice of the sale of the Series 2026 Bonds to be published in *The Bond Buyer*, which notice shall be in such form as is approved by the Authorized Officer. Following the receipt of such bids, the Authorized Officer is authorized to award the Series 2026 Bonds to the successful bidder therefor or reject all bids and negotiate the sale of the Series 2026 Bonds with a selected purchaser.

Section 10. BOND FORM: The Series 2026 Bonds shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, and incorporated herein, with such completions, changes and additions as may be recommended by the City 's Bond Counsel and approved by the officers of the City signing the Series 2026 Bonds.

Section 11. EXECUTION OF BONDS: The Mayor or the Mayor Pro Tem and the Clerk or the Deputy Clerk of the City are hereby authorized and directed to sign the Series 2026 Bonds, either manually or by facsimile signature, on behalf of the City. Upon execution, the Series 2026 Bonds shall be delivered to the purchaser thereof.

Section 12. BOND RESERVE ACCOUNT. Section 16(b)(ii)(B) of the Prior Resolution is amended in its entirety to read as follows: The Bond Reserve Account shall also be established as a subaccount of the Redemption Account for the benefit of First Lien Bonds. The City shall deposit into the Bond Reserve Account at the time of delivery of any First Lien Bonds from cash on hand and/or proceeds of such First Lien Bonds, a sum equal to the lesser of (a) the maximum annual principal and interest requirements on the First Lien Bonds outstanding but not including any First Lien Bonds that have been defeased (the "Outstanding First Lien Bonds"); (b) 125% of the average annual debt service on the Outstanding First Lien Bonds; or (c) an amount equal to 10% of the principal amount of the Outstanding First Lien Bonds (the "Required Reserve"). The requirements of the Bond Reserve Account may be satisfied by a surety bond or similar credit facility. In the event that the amount in said Bond Reserve Account is greater than the Required Reserve, such excess amount shall be transferred to the First Lien Redemption Account. Except as hereinafter provided, no further deposits or additions need be made into the Bond Reserve Account once the Required Reserve has been deposited therein. The moneys in the Bond Reserve Account shall be used solely for the payment of the principal of and interest on First Lien Bonds as to which there would otherwise be default.

If at any time it shall be necessary to use moneys in the Bond Reserve Account for payment of principal and/or interest on First Lien Bonds, then the moneys so used shall be replaced from the revenues first received thereafter that are not required by this Resolution to be used for operation and maintenance or for current principal and interest requirements. The Bond Reserve Account shall be maintained while First Lien Bonds remain outstanding or until they are defeased. The Bond Reserve Account may be applied to the final payments of principal and interest on First Lien Bonds or to provide funds for their defeasance.

Section 13. RATES AND CHARGES. Section 20 of the Prior Resolution is amended in its entirety as follows. Rates shall be fixed and revised from time to time by the Council so as to produce amounts that are sufficient to pay the expenses of administration and the costs of operation and maintenance of the System, to provide an amount of revenues adequate for the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, reserve, replacement and improvement requirements and to otherwise comply with all requirements and covenants provided herein; and such that are reasonably expected to yield annual Net Revenues of the System, in the current fiscal year equal to at least 110% of the annual principal and interest maturing in the current twelve- (12-) month period on the then outstanding First Lien Bonds and equal to at least 100% of the annual principal and interest maturing in the current twelve- (12-) month period on the outstanding Junior Lien Bonds; and promptly upon any material change in the circumstances which were not contemplated at the time such rates and charges were most recently reviewed, but not less frequently than once in each fiscal year, review the rates and charges for its services and promptly revise such rates and charges as necessary to comply with the foregoing requirement, in which case the City will be in compliance with the requirements of this Section. The rates and charges for all services and facilities rendered by the System shall be reasonable and just, taking into consideration the costs and value of the System, the cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating the System, and the amounts necessary for the retirement of all Bonds and interest accruing on all Bonds, and there shall be charged such rates and charges as shall be adequate to meet the requirement of this and the preceding sections..

Section 14. ADDITIONAL BONDS. Section 23 of the Prior Resolution is amended in its entirety to read as follows: Additional First Lien Bonds of equal standing and priority with any outstanding First Lien Bonds may be issued for repair, replacement, improvement or extension of the System and to refund all or a portion of Bonds and paying the costs of issuing the Additional First Lien Bonds, but only if the average actual or Adjusted Net Revenues of the System for any consecutive twelve month period out of the 36 months preceding the adoption of the resolution authorizing the issuance of such Bonds shall be equal to at least one hundred ten percent (110%) of the average annual principal and interest thereafter maturing on the then outstanding First Lien Bonds and the Additional First Lien Bonds then being issued and one hundred percent (100%) of the average annual principal and interest thereafter maturing on the then outstanding Junior Lien Bonds. In addition, Additional First Lien Bonds of equal standing and priority with any outstanding First Lien Bonds may be issued to refund all or a portion of outstanding First Lien Bonds if the refunding would provide a net present value debt service savings to the City. If the Additional First Lien Bonds are to be issued in whole or in part for refunding outstanding Bonds, the annual principal and interest requirements shall be determined by deducting from the principal and interest requirements for each operating year the annual principal and interest requirements of any Bonds to be refunded from the proceeds of the Additional First Lien Bonds. In addition, notwithstanding the above, Additional First Lien Bonds may be issued at any time that the holders of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of all of the First Lien Bonds outstanding consent.

Additional Junior Lien Bonds of equal standing and priority with outstanding Junior Lien Bonds may be issued for repair, replacement, improvement or extension of the System and to refund all or a portion of Bonds and paying the costs of issuing the Additional Junior Lien Bonds, but only if the average Adjusted Net Revenues for the last two completed operating years, or the Adjusted Net Revenues for the last completed operating year if the same shall be lower than the average, shall be equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the average annual principal and interest thereafter maturing in any operating year on the then outstanding Bonds and the Additional Junior Lien Bonds then being issued. If the Additional Junior Lien Bonds are to be issued in whole or in part for refunding outstanding Bonds, the annual principal and interest requirements shall be determined by deducting from the principal and interest requirements for each operating year the annual principal and interest requirements of any Bonds to be refunded from the proceeds of the Additional Junior Lien Bonds.

Determination by the Council as to existence of conditions permitting the issuance of Additional Bonds shall be conclusive, provided this shall not eliminate any requirement for any other approval required herein.

Any additional Bonds shall be subject to the various funds herein established, and all revenue from any such extension or replacement constructed by the proceeds of any additional Bonds shall be paid into the Receiving Fund.

Section 15. AUTHORIZED OFFICER: The Authorized Officer is designated and authorized, for and on behalf of the City, without further City Council approval, to do all acts and to take all necessary steps required to effectuate the sale, issuance, and delivery of the Series 2026 Bonds. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution, the Authorized Officer is authorized within the limitations of this Resolution to determine the specific interest rate or rates to be borne by the Series 2026 Bonds, the maximum interest rate, amount of discount or premium, the principal amount, denominations, interest payment dates, dates of maturities, and amount of maturities, the amount of good faith deposit, if any, optional and mandatory redemption rights, term bond options, the title of the Series 2026 Bonds, date of issuance, and other terms and conditions relating to the Series 2026 Bonds and the sale thereof. The Authorized Officer shall have the authority to determine that up to two years of interest on the Series 2026 Bonds be capitalized. The Authorized Officer is further authorized to revise or adjust the provisions of Sections 12, 13 and 14 of this Resolution prior to the issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds. The authority granted to the Authorized Officer by this Section is subject to the following limitations:

(a) The par amount of the Series 2026 Bonds shall not exceed $10,040,000.

(b) The Series 2026 Bonds shall not be sold at a price that would make the true interest cost of the Series 2026 Bonds exceed 7.00%.

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(c) The final maturity date of the Series 2026 Bonds shall not be later than twenty-one (21) years after the date of issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds.
(d) The Series 2026 Bonds shall not be sold at a price that is less than 98% of the par value of the Series 2026 Bonds.

The Authorized Officer is hereby authorized for and on behalf of the City, without further City Council approval, to: (a) approve the circulation of a preliminary and a final Official Statement describing the Series 2026 Bonds; (b) award the bid for the sale of the Series 2026 Bonds or otherwise negotiate the sale of the Series 2026 Bonds and enter into a Purchase Agreement for the sale of the Series 2026 Bonds; (c) purchase municipal bond insurance, if considered necessary, as additional security for the bondholders; (d) apply to rating agencies for a rating on the Series 2026 Bonds; (e) make any elections or designations relating to the Series 2026 Bonds pursuant to the Code; and (f) do all other acts and take all other necessary procedures required to effectuate the sale, issuance, and delivery of the Series 2026 Bonds.

Approval by the City of the matters delegated in this section or any other sections may be evidenced by the execution of an order or by the execution or approval of such documents by the Authorized Officer. The Authorized Officer and the Clerk, or any one or more of them, are authorized to execute any orders, receipts, agreements, pledge agreements, bond purchase agreements, security reports, a blanket letter of representations, documents or certificates necessary to complete the transaction, including, but not limited to, any issuer's certificate, any certificates relating to federal or state securities laws, rules or regulations, and any applications to the Michigan Department of Treasury, including, but not limited to, the Application for State Treasurer's Approval to Issue Long-Term Securities and applications for any waivers required for the issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds. The Authorized Officer shall have the power to approve such policies as deemed necessary to comply with federal securities and tax laws, which shall be binding on the City. The Authorized Officer is authorized to select and retain on behalf of the City such professional services as the Authorized Officer deems necessary for the Series 2026 Bonds. References to any officer by title in this Resolution includes that officer's deputies, designees and superiors.

Section 16. CONSTRUCTION FUND. The proceeds of the Series 2026 Bonds shall be deposited in the Construction Fund. Such moneys shall be used solely for the purpose for which the Series 2026 Bonds were issued. Any unexpected balance in the Construction Fund remaining after completion of the Improvements may be used for such purposes as allowed by law. After completion of the Improvements and disposition of remaining Series 2026 Bond proceeds, if any, pursuant to the provisions of this Section, the Construction Fund shall be closed.

Section 17. TAX COVENANT. The City shall, to the extent permitted by law, take all actions within its control necessary to maintain the exclusion of the interest on the Series 2026 Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Code, including, but not limited to, actions relating to any required rebate of arbitrage earnings and the expenditures and investment of Series 2026 Bond proceeds and moneys deemed to be Series 2026 Bond proceeds.

Section 18. SUBJECT TO PRIOR RESOLUTION. Except to the extent supplemented or otherwise provided in this Resolution, all of the provisions and covenants provided in the Prior Resolution shall apply to the Series 2026 Bonds.

Section 19. MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE. The Authorized Officer is hereby authorized to acquire municipal bond insurance to enhance the marketability of the Series 2026 Bonds. If the City or the purchaser of the Series 2026 Bonds acquires municipal bond insurance from a municipal bond insurer (the "Insurer"), the Authorized Officer is hereby authorized to take all actions, and to execute any documents, certificates, orders, applications, agreements, conditions, covenants or other instruments necessary to effectuate the issuance of the policy of bond insurance, including, but not limited to the execution of an order or agreement containing such provisions as the Insurer may require with respect to the insurance and the Insurer, which shall be binding on the City in the same manner as if contained herein. The Authorized Officer is further authorized to sign such agreements or other documents and to pay such fees as are required for the City to become a member of a mutual insurance company.

Section 20. CONTINUING DISCLOSURE. The City agrees to provide or cause to be provided, in accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule") promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Council (a) on or prior to the last day of the seventh month after the end of the fiscal year of the City, or such other date determined by the Authorized Officer, commencing with the first fiscal year ending after the issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds, certain annual financial information and operating data, including audited financial statements for the preceding fiscal year (or if audited financial statements are not available, unaudited financial statements), generally consistent with certain information that was contained or cross-referenced in the Official Statement relating to the Series 2026 Bonds, (b) timely notice of the occurrence of certain material events with respect to the Series 2026 Bonds, and (c) timely notice of a failure by the City to provide the required annual financial information on or before the date specified in (a) above.

Section 21. OFFICIAL STATEMENT. The City is hereby authorized to approve, execute, and deliver a Preliminary Official Statement relating to the Series 2026 Bonds in such form as the Authorized Officer shall approve. The Authorized Officer is hereby authorized and directed to approve, execute and deliver the Official Statement on behalf of the City with such changes or modifications as they deem necessary in order to assure that the statements therein are true, and that it does not contain any untrue statement or material fact and does not omit a material fact necessary in order to make the statements, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

Section 22. BOND COUNSEL. Dickinson Wright PLLC, Grand Rapids, Michigan, is appointed to act as bond counsel for the Series 2026 Bonds and the Authorized Officer is authorized to enter into an engagement letter with bond counsel with such fees as are indicated in the reports of the City's financial advisor. The City acknowledges that Dickinson Wright PLLC represents a number of purchaser's in public finance matters and consents to Dickinson Wright PLLC's representation of the City as bond counsel notwithstanding the firm's representation of the purchaser in matter unrelated to the issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds, and waives any conflict of interest.

Section 23. MUNICIPAL ADVISOR. MFCI, LLC is hereby employed as municipal advisor for the Bonds.

Section 24. PUBLICATION AND RECORDATION. This Resolution shall be published once in full in a newspaper of general circulation in the City qualified under state law to publish legal notices, and the same shall be recorded in the records of the City and such recording authenticated by the signature of the City Clerk.

Section 25. RESOLUTION SUBJECT TO MICHIGAN LAW. The provisions of this Resolution are subject to the laws of the State of Michigan.

Section 26. SECTION HEADINGS. The section headings in this Resolution are furnished for convenience of reference only and shall not be considered to be a part of this Resolution.

Section 27. SEVERABILITY: If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Resolution.

Section 28. CONFLICT: Except as provided above, all Resolutions and Resolutions or parts thereof, insofar as the same may be in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict; provided, that the foregoing shall not operate to repeal any provision thereof, the repeal of which would impair the obligation on the Series 2026 Bonds or the any other bonds issued pursuant to the Prior Resolution.

Section 29. EFFECTIVE DATE OF RESOLUTION: Pursuant to Section 6 of the Act, this Resolution shall be approved on the date of first reading and this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Council Member _____ and supported by Council Member _____.

DATED: January 26, 2026
YEAS: _____
NAYS: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: _____
RESOLUTION DECLARED: ADOPTED

_____
Traci Perrigo, Mayor
City of Allegan

_____
Tracy J. Stull, Clerk
City of Allegan

CERTIFICATION

I, Tracy J. Stull, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Allegan, Allegan County, Michigan do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on January 26, 2026, and that notice of said meeting was given pursuant to Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended.

_____
Tracy J. Stull, Clerk
City of Allegan

Dated: January 26, 2026

EXHIBIT A
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF ALLEGAN
CITY OF ALLEGAN
SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM FIRST LIEN REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2026

Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Date of Original Issue	CUSIP
_____%	See Schedule I	_____, 2026	

Registered Owner: _____
Principal Amount: _____ Dollars ($_____)

The City of Allegan, Allegan County, Michigan (the "Issuer"), acknowledges itself indebted and, for value received, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner specified above, or registered assigns, out of the net revenues of the Sanitary Sewer System of the Issuer (the "System"), including all appurtenances, additions, extensions and improvements thereto after provision has been made for reasonable and necessary expenses of operation, maintenance and administration of the System (the "Net Revenues"), the Principal Amount specified above, on the Maturity Date specified above, unless prepaid prior thereto as hereinafter provided, in lawful money of the United States of America, together with interest thereon (computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) from the Date of Original Issue specified above, or such later date to which interest has been paid, at the Interest Rate per annum specified above, first payable on the first day of _____ and _____ of each year, beginning _____ 1, 2026, except as the provisions hereinafter set forth with respect to redemption of this Bond prior to maturity may become applicable hereto.

This Bond is one of a total authorized issue of bonds of every date and like tenor, except as to date of maturity, amount and rate of interest, numbered in order of registration, aggregating, the principal sum of $_____; issued in accordance with the provisions of Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended and resolutions adopted by the City Council of the Issuer on August 25, 2008, August 9, 2010, April 23, 2012, August 11, 2022, and January 12, 2026, (collectively, the "Resolution"), for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing improvements to the System. This Bond is a self-liquidating Bond, and is not a general obligation of the Issuer within any applicable constitutional, statutory or charter limitation, but is payable, both as to principal and interest, solely from the Net Revenues of the System. The principal of and interest on this Bond are secured by a statutory lien on the Net Revenues.

The Issuer hereby covenants and agrees to fix, and maintain at all times while any of the Bonds shall be outstanding, such rates for service furnished by the System as shall be sufficient to provide for payment of the principal of and interest upon all such Bonds as and when the same become due and payable, to maintain a bond and interest redemption account, a bond reserve account, and to provide for the payment of expenses of administration and operation and such expenses for maintenance of the System as are necessary to preserve the same in good repair and working order, and to provide for such other expenditures and funds for the System as are required by the Resolution. The statutory liens securing this series of Bonds, which are First Lien Bonds (as defined in the Resolution), are first liens that shall be superior to the lien on the Net Revenues securing the Issuer's Junior Lien Bonds (as defined in the Resolution), and any Additional Junior Lien Bonds (as defined in the Resolution) that may be issued pursuant to the Resolution. Additional First Lien Bonds of equal standing to the bonds of this series may be issued pursuant to the Resolution. For a complete statement of the revenues from which, and the conditions under which, this Bond is payable, a statement of the conditions under which additional bonds of equal or subordinate standing may hereafter be issued, and the general covenants and provisions pursuant to which this Bond is issued, reference is made to the Resolution.

Principal of this Bond is payable at the principal office of _____, _____, Michigan, or such other Paying Agent as the Issuer may hereafter designate (the "Paying Agent") by notice mailed to the Registered Owner not less than sixty (60) days prior to the next interest payment date. Interest on this Bond is payable to the Registered Owner of record as of the fifteenth (15th) day of the month preceding the payment date as shown on the registration books of the Issuer maintained by the Paying Agent, by check or draft mailed to the Registered Owner at the registered address.

Bonds maturing on _____, ____ (the "Term Bonds"), are subject to mandatory redemption prior to maturity in part, by lot, on each _____ 1, commencing _____, ____, and will be redeemed at the par value thereof plus accrued interest to the redemption date on _____ 1 of each of the following years in the amounts as follows:

Redemption Date	Principal Amount

Term Bonds purchased by the Issuer and delivered to the Paying Agent for cancellation or which are redeemed in a manner other than by mandatory redemption, shall reduce the principal amount of the Term Bonds subject to mandatory redemption by the amount of the Bonds so redeemed, in the order determined by the Issuer.

Bonds maturing on or before _____1, 20__, shall not be subject to redemption prior to maturity. Bonds maturing on or after _____ 1, 20__, are subject to redemption prior to maturity as a whole or in part, at the option of the Issuer, in such order as the Issuer shall determine, on any dates, on or after _____ 1, 20__. Bonds called for redemption shall be redeemed at the par value thereof and accrued interest to the date of redemption, without a premium.

Notice of the call of any Bonds for redemption shall be given by first class mail not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the Registered Owner at the registered address. Bonds called for redemption shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, provided funds are on hand with the Paying Agent to redeem such Bonds. Bonds shall be called for redemption in multiples of $5,000, and Bonds of denominations of more than $5,000 shall be treated as representing the number of bonds obtained by dividing the denomination of the Bond by $5,000, and such Bonds may be redeemed in part. The notice of redemption of Bonds redeemed in part shall state that upon surrender of the Bond to be redeemed, a new Bond or Bonds in aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Bond surrendered shall be issued to the Registered Owner thereof. So long as the book-entry-only system remains in effect, the Paying Agent will give notice to Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation, only and only Cede & Co. will be deemed to be a holder of the Bonds.

This Bond shall be registered in the name of the Registered Owner on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent and such registration noted hereon and thereafter no transfer shall be valid unless made upon the registration books and likewise noted hereon. This Bond is exchangeable at the request of the Registered Owner hereof, in person or by his attorney duly authorized in writing, at the office of the Paying Agent, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations and at his sole expense, for other bonds of an equal aggregate amount, upon surrender of this Bond to the Paying Agent. Upon such transfer, a new registered bond or bonds of the same series and the same maturity

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Complete specification and bid forms are available at the Road Commission office or on our website at www.alleganroads.org under 2026 Project & Bids.

All bids must be submitted on forms furnished by the Road Commission and sealed in envelopes with the name and address of the bidder, and the item bid upon clearly marked.

The Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive minor technicalities, and to accept the bid that is deemed to be in the best interest of the County of Allegan.

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LEE TOWNSHIP

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lee Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 877 56th St, Pullman, MI 49450 on the following dates:

March 3, 2026 6:30pm - Organizational Meeting
March 9, 2026 2:00pm - 5:00pm & 6:00pm - 9:00pm - Appeals Meeting
March 10, 2026 11:00am - 2:00pm & 3:00pm - 6:00pm - Appeals Meeting

Please call or email for an appointment to appear before the Board of Review. Letter appeals are accepted and must be filed with the Assessor prior to 5:00pm, March 9th, 2026. All appeals are required to submit form L-4035 – Petition to Board of Review.

Please note, the Monday March 9th evening session of the March Board of Review will be held concurrently, but separately, from the Township Board meeting beginning at 7:30pm.

The 2026 tentative ratios and multiplying factors are listed by class as set by the Allegan County Equalization Department as follows:

Agricultural	43.71 / 1.14390
Commercial	47.35 / 1.05597
Industrial	44.27 / 1.12943
Residential	44.72 / 1.11807
Personal Property	50.00 / 1.00000

Heather Jahr
Lee Township Assessor
(616) 970-7820
leeassessor1@gmail.com

NOTICE

OF PUBLIC HEARING
City of Allegan

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Allegan, Michigan, shall on February 9, 2026, at 6:00 PM, at the City Council Chambers, Allegan City Hall 231 Trowbridge Street, Allegan, Michigan, hold a public hearing on the following item:

1. Ordinance 534 to amend the City of Allegan Code of Ordinances Chapter 11, Article III, titled “Escrow Account Proceeds from Fire Insurance Payments”, to align procedures with the Fire Insurance Withholding Program

At that time and place, the City Council shall hear and consider comments, concerns, statements, information, or other communications concerning the proposed amendment to the City of Allegan Code of Ordinances. Please send all written comments to the address listed below. Comments can also be sent to ccanales@cityofallegan.org by 5:00PM on February 9, 2026.

Allegan City Hall is barrier free. The City of Allegan will provide necessary auxiliary aids and services for persons with disabilities, such as signers for hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at a city meeting. Individuals with disabilities requiring such services should contact the City Clerk at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

City of Allegan
231 Trowbridge Street
Allegan MI 49010
(269) 673-5511
BY: Carol Canales, Deputy Clerk

NOTICE

TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE
CITY OF PLAINWELL
BOARD OF REVIEW
MARCH 2026

Tuesday, March 03, 2026 -
9:30am - Organizational meeting (no hearings)
Location: Plainwell City Hall Conference Room
211 N. Main St.
Plainwell, MI 49080

Monday, March 09, 2026 -
1:00pm - 4:00pm and 5:00pm - 8:00pm
Tuesday, March 10, 2026 -
9:00am - 12:00pm and 2:00pm - 7:00pm
Location: Plainwell Department of Public Safety
119 Island Ave.
Plainwell, MI 49080

The Board will meet on the dates and times stated above for the purpose of hearing appeals to the 2026 assessments.

Hearings are by appointment. To make an appointment, call (269) 685-6821 Monday through Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm.

Beginning Ratios and factors are:

Commercial Ratio	45.62%	Factor: 1.0960
Industrial Ratio	38.08%	Factor: 1.3130
Residential Ratio	47.35%	Factor: 1.0559

Michael Richmond, Assessor
City of Plainwell

NOTICE

WATSON TOWNSHIP
2026 Board of Review

TO ALL TOWNSHIP TAXPAYERS: The 2026 Board of Review of the Township of Watson will meet at the Watson Township Hall, 1895 118th Ave., Allegan, MI on

Organizational Meeting:
Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 6:00pm
Organizational meeting only, no tax protest at this meeting.

TAX PROTEST WILL BE HEARD:

Monday, March 16, 2026	Tuesday, March 17, 2026
9:00 am to 12:00 pm	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
2:00 pm to 5:00 pm	6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

At which time the board of review will hear protest relative to assessments for 2026 and will, upon presentation of sufficient evidence, correct the assessments in a manner as will, in their judgement, make it relatively just as equal.

The tentative factors of the Township of Watson for 2026 are as follows:

Classification	Ratio	Multiplier
Agriculture	42.01	1.19019
Commercial	42.21	1.18455
Industrial	33.94	1.47319
Residential	48.87	1.02312
Developmental	NC	NC
Personal	50.00	1.0000

Please direct all written, faxed or e-mailed replies to:

Watson Township Supervisor, Kevin Travis
1895 118th Ave.
Allegan, MI 49010
Fax: 269-672-5488
Email: supervisor@watsontownshipmi.gov

All written replies must be received no later than Monday, March 09, 2026

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of authorized denomination will be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor.

It is hereby certified and recited that all acts, conditions and things required by law, precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond, exist and have been done and performed in regular and due time and form as required by law and that the total indebtedness of the Issuer including this Bond, does not exceed any applicable charter, constitutional or statutory limitation.

[*Signature Page Follows*.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Allegan, Allegan County, Michigan, by its City Council, has caused this Bond to be signed, by the manual or facsimile signatures of its Mayor and City Clerk, all as of the _____ day of _____, 2026.

_____
Traci Perrigo, Mayor

_____
Tracy J. Stull, Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AND AUTHENTICATION

This Bond is one of the Issuer’s $_____ Sanitary Sewer System First Lien Revenue Bonds, Series 2026, and has been registered in the name of the Registered Owner designated on the face thereof in the bond register maintained for the Issuer.

_____

Authentication Date: _____, 20__ As Paying Agent/Bond Registrar/Transfer Agent

ASSIGNMENT

For value received, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto _____
_____
(please print or type social security number or taxpayer identification number and name and address of transferee)

the within bond and all rights thereunder, and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint _____ attorney to transfer the within bond on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: _____ Signed: _____

In the presence of: _____

Notice: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name as it appears upon the face of the within bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever. When assignment is made by a guardian, trustee, executor or administrator, an officer of a corporation, or anyone in a representative capacity, proof of his City to act must accompany the bond.

Signature(s) must be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution participating in a Securities Transfer Association recognized signature guaranty program.

Signature Guaranteed: _____

WRONGFUL USE OF CERTIFICATE

Unless this certificate is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation (“DTC”), to the Issuer or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange, or payment, and any certificate issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or in such other name as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or to such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.

CITY OF ALLEGAN

Allegan County, Michigan
RESOLUTION NO. 26.03
RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF
2026 WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM FIRST LIEN REVENUE BONDS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended (the "Act") the City Council of the City of Allegan (the "City") has determined to make improvements to the City's water supply system; and

WHEREAS, the improvements will enable the City to provide more efficient and better quality public services to the users of the water supply system; and

WHEREAS, the cost of making the improvements is estimated not to exceed $7,270,000; and

WHEREAS, the improvements shall be financed in whole or in part by the issuance of revenue bonds in accordance with the Act in the sum of not to exceed $7,270,000; and

WHEREAS, the Act permits the City to authorize, within limitations that shall be contained in the authorizing resolution, an officer to sell, deliver and receive payment for obligations, and to approve interest rates or methods for fixing interest rates, prices, discounts, maturities, principal amounts, denominations, dates of issuance, interest payment dates, optional or mandatory redemption rights or tender rights, obligations to be exercised by the City or the holder of the bonds, place of delivery and payment, and other matters and procedures necessary to complete an authorized transaction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. DEFINITIONS. Except as provided in this Resolution, the definitions contained in the Prior Resolution (defined below) shall apply to the terms in this Resolution. In addition, whenever used in this Resolution except when otherwise indicated by context, the following definitions shall apply to the terms in this Resolution:

(a) "Additional First Lien Bonds" means any additional bonds of equal standing with outstanding First Lien Bonds as authorized by Section 23 of the Prior Resolution, as amended.

(b) "Authorized Officer" means the Mayor, the City Manager, and the Finance Director of the City, or any one or more of them.

(c) "Bonds" as defined in the Prior Resolution shall include the Series 2026 Bonds that are being issued as First Lien Bonds under Section 23 of the Prior Resolution.

(d) "Construction Fund" shall mean the 2026 Sanitary Sewer System Revenue Bonds Construction Fund created pursuant to Section 16.

(e) "Improvements" means the design, acquisition and construction of improvements to the System, including without limitation, improving water mains, replacing existing water mains and installing new water mains, and other water main work, the restoration of streets, rights-of-way and easements affected by the improvements and related facilities, as well as all work, equipment, and appurtenances necessary or incidental to these improvements and such other improvements to the System as the City may determine to make.

(f) "Paying Agent" means the paying agent designated and serving pursuant to Section 8 of this Resolution.

(g) "Prior Resolution" means Resolution 09.51, as supplemented by Resolutions 11.09, 12.14, 12.18 and 22.33.

(h) "Resolution" means this Resolution and all amendments hereto.

(i) "Series 2026 Bonds" means the City's Water Supply System First Lien Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 issued pursuant to this Resolution.

Section 2. NECESSITY, PUBLIC PURPOSE: It is hereby determined to be necessary for the public health, safety, and welfare of the City to acquire and construct the Improvements to the System in accordance with the maps, plans, and specifications therefore prepared by the City's consulting engineers, which are hereby approved.

Section 3. ESTIMATED COST; PERIOD OF USEFULNESS: The cost of the Improvements has been estimated by the engineers not to exceed $7,270,000, including the payment of legal, engineering, financial and other expenses, which estimate of cost is approved and confirmed, and the period of usefulness of the Improvements is estimated to be greater than thirty (30) years.

Section 4. ISSUANCE OF BONDS. To pay a portion of the cost of designing, acquiring, and constructing the Improvements, to fund additional deposits to the Bond Reserve Account, and to pay the legal and financial expenses and all other expenses incidental to the issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds, the City shall borrow the sum of not to exceed $7,270,000 and issue its revenue bonds pursuant to the provisions of the Act. The Series 2026 Bonds shall be issued in the aggregate principal sum of not to exceed $7,270,000, as finally determined by the Authorized Officer in an order signed by the Authorized Officer (the "Sale Order").

Section 5. SERIES 2026 BOND TERMS. The Series 2026 Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form as to both principal and interest, in denominations of $5,000 each or any multiple of that amount. The Series 2026 Bonds shall be dated the date of delivery, or such other date approved by the Authorized Officer, and shall mature serially or as term bonds subject to mandatory redemption as determined by the Authorized Officer in the Sale Order. The Series 2026 Bonds shall bear interest at a rate or rates and shall be payable semiannually on dates all as determined by the Authorized Officer at the time of sale. The Authorized Officer may alter the Bond terms within the parameters of this resolution as hereafter provided.

Section 6. PAYMENT OF BONDS; PLEDGE OF NET REVENUES. As provided in Section 6 of the Prior Resolution, the principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bonds, as First Lien Bonds, shall be payable solely from the Net Revenues derived from the operation of the System, including future improvements, enlargements and extensions thereof, after provision has been made for the payment of expenses of administration, operation and maintenance thereof and the Net Revenues of the System, including future enlargements, improvements, and extensions thereto, are hereby pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bonds. To secure the payment of the principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bonds there is hereby created a statutory lien to and in favor of the Bondholders of the Series 2026 Bonds upon the Net Revenues of the System, including future enlargements, improvements, and extensions thereof, which is a first lien of equal standing and priority with respect to the Net Revenues of the System securing First Lien Bonds that may be issued from time to time, and superior to the junior lien on the Net Revenues of the System securing any Junior Lien Bonds. The Net Revenues so pledged shall be and remain subject to such lien until the payment in full of the principal of and interest on the Series 2026 Bonds or until the Series 2026 Bonds are defeased.

The Series 2026 Bonds, including both principal and interest thereon, shall not be a general obligation of the City and shall not constitute an indebtedness of the City for the purpose of any debt limitations imposed by any applicable constitutional, statutory or charter provisions.

Section 7. PRIOR REDEMPTION:

(a) The Series 2026 Bonds may be subject to redemption prior to maturity, as a whole or in part, in such order as the City might determine and at the option of the City, on any date, as determined by the Authorized Officer in the Sale Order.

(b) Notice of Redemption. Notice of redemption of the Series 2026 Bonds shall be given by mail to the Registered Owners of the Series 2026 Bonds to be redeemed not less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, addressed to the Registered Owner at the registered address shown on the registration books of the City maintained by the Paying Agent. Series 2026 Bonds so called for redemption shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, provided funds are on hand with the Paying Agent to redeem the same.

Section 8. PAYING AGENT AND REGISTRATION.

(a) Appointment of Paying Agent. From time to time, the Authorized Officer shall designate and appoint a Paying Agent for the Series 2026 Bonds, which may also act as transfer agent and bond registrar. The initial Paying Agent for the Series 2026 Bonds shall be Argent Institutional Trust Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan, or such other Paying Agent designated by the Authorized Officer. The Authorized Officer is authorized to remove the Paying Agent and to appoint a successor Paying Agent. In the event of a change in the Paying Agent, notice shall be given in writing, by certified mail, to each Registered Owner not less than 60 days prior to the next interest payment date. The Paying Agent shall keep the official books for the recordation of the Registered Owners of the Series 2026 Bonds.

(b) Book-Entry Eligible. At the option of the initial purchaser, the Series 2026 Bonds may be issued initially in book-entry-only form as one fully registered bond per maturity and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as bondholder and nominee for the Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"). DTC will act as securities depository for the Series 2026 Bonds, purchase of the Series 2026 Bonds will be made in book-entry-only form, in the denomination of $5,000 or any integral multiple thereof, and purchasers will not receive certificates representing their interest in Series 2026 Bonds purchased. Payment of principal and interest will be made by the Paying Agent to DTC. While the Series 2026 Bonds are held in book-entry-only form, the Series 2026 Bonds shall be transferred in accordance with the procedures established by DTC. So long as the Series 2026 Bonds are registered to DTC or another bond depository, the Paying Agent or bond registrar shall have no responsibility with respect to such transfers. The Authorized Officer shall have the authority from time to time to appoint a successor depository trustee to serve in the place of DTC. While the Series 2026 Bonds are issued in book-entry-only form the Paying Agent shall serve as paying agent only.

(c) Registration of Bonds Outside of Book-Entry. If book-entry form is not chosen or is discontinued, the provisions of Section 8(b) of the Prior Resolution shall apply to the Series 2026 Bonds.

Section 9. SALE OF BONDS. The Series 2026 Bonds shall be sold pursuant to a competitive sale. The Authorized Officer shall set the date and time for sale of the Series 2026 Bonds, which date shall be at least seven (7) days after the publication of the official notice of sale and the Authorized Officer shall cause notice of the sale of the Series 2026 Bonds to be published in *The Bond Buyer*, which notice shall be in such form as is approved by the Authorized Officer. Following the receipt of such bids, the Authorized Officer is authorized to award the Series 2026 Bonds to the successful bidder therefor or reject all bids and negotiate the sale of the Series 2026 Bonds with a selected purchaser.

Section 10. BOND FORM: The Series 2026 Bonds shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, and incorporated herein, with such completions, changes and additions as may be recommended by the City 's Bond Counsel and approved by the officers of the City signing the Series 2026 Bonds.

Section 11. EXECUTION OF BONDS: The Mayor or the Mayor Pro Tem and the Clerk or the Deputy Clerk of the City are hereby authorized and directed to sign the Series 2026 Bonds, either manually or by facsimile signature, on behalf of the City. Upon execution, the Series 2026 Bonds shall be delivered to the purchaser thereof.

Section 12. BOND RESERVE ACCOUNT. Section 16(b)(ii)(B) of the Prior Resolution is amended in its entirety to read as follows: The Bond Reserve Account shall also be established as a subaccount of the Redemption Account for the benefit of First Lien Bonds. The City shall deposit into the Bond Reserve Account at the time of delivery of any First Lien Bonds from cash on hand and/or proceeds of such First Lien Bonds, a sum equal to the lesser of (a) the maximum annual principal and interest requirements on the First Lien Bonds outstanding but not including any First Lien Bonds that have been defeased (the "Outstanding First Lien Bonds"); (b) 125% of the average annual debt service on the Outstanding First Lien Bonds; or (c) an amount equal to 10% of the principal amount of the Outstanding First Lien Bonds (the "Required Reserve"). The requirements of the Bond Reserve Account may be satisfied by a surety bond or similar credit facility. In the event that the amount in said Bond Reserve Account is greater than the Required Reserve, such excess amount shall be transferred to the First Lien Redemption Account. Except as hereinafter provided, no further deposits or additions need be made into the Bond Reserve Account once the Required Reserve has been deposited therein. The moneys in the Bond Reserve Account shall be used solely for the payment of the principal of and interest on First Lien Bonds as to which there would otherwise be default.

If at any time it shall be necessary to use moneys in the Bond Reserve Account for payment of principal and/or interest on First Lien Bonds, then the moneys so used shall be replaced from the revenues first received thereafter that are not required by this Resolution to be used for operation and maintenance or for current principal and interest requirements. The Bond Reserve Account shall be maintained while First Lien Bonds remain outstanding or until they are defeased. The Bond Reserve Account may be applied to the final payments of principal and interest on First Lien Bonds or to provide funds for their defeasance.

Section 13. RATES AND CHARGES. Section 20 of the Prior Resolution is amended in its entirety as follows. Rates shall be fixed and revised from time to time by the Council so as to produce amounts that are sufficient to pay the expenses of administration and the costs of operation and maintenance of the System, to provide an amount of revenues adequate for the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds, reserve, replacement and improvement requirements and to otherwise comply with all requirements and covenants provided herein; and such that are reasonably expected to yield annual Net Revenues of the System, in the current fiscal year equal to at least 110% of the annual principal and interest maturing in the current twelve- (12-) month period on the then outstanding First Lien Bonds and equal to at least 100% of the annual principal and interest maturing in the current twelve- (12-) month period on the outstanding Junior Lien Bonds; and promptly upon any material change in the circumstances which were not contemplated at the time such rates and charges were most recently reviewed, but not less frequently than once in each fiscal year, review the rates and charges for its services and promptly revise such rates and charges as necessary to comply with the foregoing requirement, in which case the City will be in compliance with the requirements of this Section. The rates and charges for all services and facilities rendered by the System shall be reasonable and just, taking into consideration the costs and value of the System, the cost of maintaining, repairing, and operating the System, and the amounts necessary for the retirement of all Bonds and interest accruing on all Bonds, and there shall be charged such rates and charges as shall be adequate to meet the requirement of this and the preceding sections.

Section 14. ADDITIONAL BONDS. Section 23 of the Prior Resolution is amended in its entirety to read as follows: Additional First Lien Bonds of equal standing and priority with any outstanding First Lien Bonds may be issued for repair, replacement, improvement or extension of the System and to refund all or a portion of Bonds and paying the costs of issuing the Additional First Lien Bonds, but only if the average actual or Adjusted Net Revenues of the System for any consecutive twelve month period out of the 36 months preceding the adoption of the resolution authorizing the issuance of such Bonds shall be equal to at least one hundred ten percent (110%) of the average annual principal and interest thereafter maturing on the then outstanding First Lien Bonds and the Additional First Lien Bonds then being issued and one hundred percent (100%) of the average annual principal and interest thereafter maturing on the then outstanding Junior Lien Bonds. In addition, Additional First Lien Bonds of equal standing and priority with any outstanding First Lien Bonds may be issued to refund all or a portion of outstanding First Lien Bonds if the refunding would provide a net present value debt service savings to the City. If the Additional First Lien Bonds are to be issued in whole or in part for refunding outstanding Bonds, the annual principal and interest requirements shall be determined by deducting from the principal and interest requirements for each operating year the annual principal and interest requirements of any Bonds to be refunded from the proceeds of the Additional First Lien Bonds. In addition, notwithstanding the above, Additional First Lien Bonds may be issued at any time that the holders of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of all of the First Lien Bonds outstanding consent.

Additional Junior Lien Bonds of equal standing and priority with outstanding Junior Lien Bonds may be issued for repair, replacement, improvement or extension of the System and to refund all or a portion of Bonds and paying the costs of issuing the Additional Junior Lien Bonds, but only if the average Adjusted Net Revenues for the last two completed operating years, or the Adjusted Net Revenues for the last completed operating year if the same shall be lower than the average, shall be equal to at least one hundred percent (100%) of the average annual principal and interest thereafter maturing in any operating year on the then outstanding Bonds and the Additional Junior Lien Bonds then being issued. If the Additional Junior Lien Bonds are to be issued in whole or in part for refunding outstanding Bonds, the annual principal and interest requirements shall be determined by deducting from the principal and interest requirements for each operating year the annual principal and interest requirements of any Bonds to be refunded from the proceeds of the Additional Junior Lien Bonds.

Determination by the Council as to existence of conditions permitting the issuance of Additional Bonds shall be conclusive, provided this shall not eliminate any requirement for any other approval required herein.

Any additional Bonds shall be subject to the various funds herein established, and all revenue from any such extension or replacement constructed by the proceeds of any additional Bonds shall be paid into the Receiving Fund.

Section 15. AUTHORIZED OFFICER: The Authorized Officer is designated and authorized, for and on behalf of the City, without further City Council approval, to do all acts and to take all necessary steps required to effectuate the sale, issuance, and delivery of the Series 2026 Bonds. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution, the Authorized Officer is authorized within the limitations of this Resolution to determine the specific interest rate or rates to be borne by the Series 2026 Bonds, the maximum interest rate, amount of discount or premium, the principal amount, denominations, interest payment dates, dates of maturities, and amount of maturities, the amount of good faith deposit, if any, optional and mandatory redemption rights, term bond options, the title of the Series 2026 Bonds, date of issuance, and other terms and conditions relating to the Series 2026 Bonds and the sale thereof. The Authorized Officer shall have the authority to determine that up to two years of interest on the Series 2026 Bonds be capitalized. The Authorized Officer is further authorized to revise or adjust the provisions of Sections 12, 13 and 14 of this Resolution prior to the issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds. The authority granted to the Authorized Officer by this Section, is subject to the following limitations:

(a) The par amount of the Series 2026 Bonds shall not exceed $7,270,000.

(b) The Series 2026 Bonds shall not be sold at a price that would make the true interest cost of the Series 2026 Bonds exceed 7.00%.

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(c) The final maturity date of the Series 2026 Bonds shall not be later than twenty-one (21) years after the date of issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds.
(d) The Series 2026 Bonds shall not be sold at a price that is less than 98% of the par value of the Series 2026 Bonds.

The Authorized Officer is hereby authorized for and on behalf of the City, without further City Council approval, to: (a) approve the circulation of a preliminary and a final Official Statement describing the Series 2026 Bonds; (b) award the bid for the sale of the Series 2026 Bonds or otherwise negotiate the sale of the Series 2026 Bonds and enter into a Purchase Agreement for the sale of the Series 2026 Bonds; (c) purchase municipal bond insurance, if considered necessary, as additional security for the bondholders; (d) apply to rating agencies for a rating on the Series 2026 Bonds; (e) make any elections or designations relating to the Series 2026 Bonds pursuant to the Code; and (f) do all other acts and take all other necessary procedures required to effectuate the sale, issuance, and delivery of the Series 2026 Bonds.

Approval by the City of the matters delegated in this section or any other sections may be evidenced by the execution of an order or by the execution or approval of such documents by the Authorized Officer. The Authorized Officer and the Clerk, or any one or more of them, are authorized to execute any orders, receipts, agreements, pledge agreements, bond purchase agreements, security reports, a blanket letter of representations, documents or certificates necessary to complete the transaction, including, but not limited to, any issuer's certificate, any certificates relating to federal or state securities laws, rules or regulations, and any applications to the Michigan Department of Treasury, including, but not limited to, the Application for State Treasurer's Approval to Issue Long-Term Securities and applications for any waivers required for the issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds. The Authorized Officer shall have the power to approve such policies as deemed necessary to comply with federal securities and tax laws, which shall be binding on the City. The Authorized Officer is authorized to select and retain on behalf of the City such professional services as the Authorized Officer deems necessary for the Series 2026 Bonds. References to any officer by title in this Resolution includes that officer's deputies, designees and superiors.

Section 16. CONSTRUCTION FUND. The proceeds of the Series 2026 Bonds shall be deposited in the Construction Fund. Such moneys shall be used solely for the purpose for which the Series 2026 Bonds were issued. Any unexpected balance in the Construction Fund remaining after completion of the Improvements may be used for such purposes as allowed by law. After completion of the Improvements and disposition of remaining Series 2026 Bond proceeds, if any, pursuant to the provisions of this Section, the Construction Fund shall be closed.

Section 17. TAX COVENANT. The City shall, to the extent permitted by law, take all actions within its control necessary to maintain the exclusion of the interest on the Series 2026 Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes under the Code, including, but not limited to, actions relating to any required rebate of arbitrage earnings and the expenditures and investment of Series 2026 Bond proceeds and moneys deemed to be Series 2026 Bond proceeds.

Section 18. SUBJECT TO PRIOR RESOLUTION. Except to the extent supplemented or otherwise provided in this Resolution, all of the provisions and covenants provided in the Prior Resolution shall apply to the Series 2026 Bonds.

Section 19. MUNICIPAL BOND INSURANCE. The Authorized Officer is hereby authorized to acquire municipal bond insurance to enhance the marketability of the Series 2026 Bonds. If the City or the purchaser of the Series 2026 Bonds acquires municipal bond insurance from a municipal bond insurer (the "Insurer"), the Authorized Officer is hereby authorized to take all actions, and to execute any documents, certificates, orders, applications, agreements, conditions, covenants or other instruments necessary to effectuate the issuance of the policy of bond insurance, including, but not limited to the execution of an order or agreement containing such provisions as the Insurer may require with respect to the insurance and the Insurer, which shall be binding on the City in the same manner as if contained herein. The Authorized Officer is further authorized to sign such agreements or other documents and to pay such fees as are required for the City to become a member of a mutual insurance company.

Section 20. CONTINUING DISCLOSURE. The City agrees to provide or cause to be provided, in accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule") promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Council (a) on or prior to the last day of the seventh month after the end of the fiscal year of the City, or such other date determined by the Authorized Officer, commencing with the first fiscal year ending after the issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds, certain annual financial information and operating data, including audited financial statements for the preceding fiscal year (or if audited financial statements are not available, unaudited financial statements), generally consistent with certain information that was contained or cross-referenced in the Official Statement relating to the Series 2026 Bonds, (b) timely notice of the occurrence of certain material events with respect to the Series 2026 Bonds, and (c) timely notice of a failure by the City to provide the required annual financial information on or before the date specified in (a) above.

Section 21. OFFICIAL STATEMENT. The City is hereby authorized to approve, execute, and deliver a Preliminary Official Statement relating to the Series 2026 Bonds in such form as the Authorized Officer shall approve. The Authorized Officer is hereby authorized and directed to approve, execute and deliver the Official Statement on behalf of the City with such changes or modifications as they deem necessary in order to assure that the statements therein are true, and that it does not contain any untrue statement or material fact and does not omit a material fact necessary in order to make the statements, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

Section 22. BOND COUNSEL. Dickinson Wright PLLC, Grand Rapids, Michigan, is appointed to act as bond counsel for the Series 2026 Bonds and the Authorized Officer is authorized to enter into an engagement letter with bond counsel with such fees as are indicated in the reports of the City's financial advisor. The City acknowledges that Dickinson Wright PLLC represents a number of purchaser's in public finance matters and consents to Dickinson Wright PLLC's representation of the City as bond counsel notwithstanding the firm's representation of the purchaser in matter unrelated to the issuance of the Series 2026 Bonds, and waives any conflict of interest.

Section 23. MUNICIPAL ADVISOR. MFCI, LLC is hereby employed as municipal advisor for the Bonds.

Section 24. PUBLICATION AND RECORDATION. This Resolution shall be published once in full in a newspaper of general circulation in the City qualified under state law to publish legal notices, and the same shall be recorded in the records of the City and such recording authenticated by the signature of the City Clerk.

Section 25. RESOLUTION SUBJECT TO MICHIGAN LAW. The provisions of this Resolution are subject to the laws of the State of Michigan.

Section 26. SECTION HEADINGS. The section headings in this Resolution are furnished for convenience of reference only and shall not be considered to be a part of this Resolution.

Section 27. SEVERABILITY: If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Resolution.

Section 28. CONFLICT: Except as provided above, all Resolutions and Resolutions or parts thereof, insofar as the same may be in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict; provided, that the foregoing shall not operate to repeal any provision thereof, the repeal of which would impair the obligation on the Series 2026 Bonds or the any other bonds issued pursuant to the Prior Resolution.

Section 29. EFFECTIVE DATE OF RESOLUTION: Pursuant to Section 6 of the Act, this Resolution shall be approved on the date of first reading and this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Council Member _____ and supported by Council Member _____.

DATED: January 26, 2026
YEAS: _____
NAYS: _____
ABSTAIN: _____
ABSENT: _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED: ADOPTED

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Traci Perrigo, Mayor
City of Allegan

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Tracy J. Stull, Clerk
City of Allegan

CERTIFICATION

I, Tracy J. Stull, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Allegan, Allegan County, Michigan do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting held on January 26, 2026, and that notice of said meeting was given pursuant to Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended.

_____
Tracy J. Stull, Clerk
City of Allegan

Dated: January 26, 2026

EXHIBIT A
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF ALLEGAN
CITY OF ALLEGAN
WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM FIRST LIEN REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2026

Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Date of Original Issue	CUSIP
_____%	See Schedule I	_____, 2026	

Registered Owner: _____
Principal Amount: _____ Dollars ($_____)

The City of Allegan, Allegan County, Michigan (the "Issuer"), acknowledges itself indebted and, for value received, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner specified above, or registered assigns, out of the net revenues of the water supply system of the Issuer (the "System"), including all appurtenances, additions, extensions and improvements thereto after provision has been made for reasonable and necessary expenses of operation, maintenance and administration of the System (the "Net Revenues"), the Principal Amount specified above, on the Maturity Date specified above, unless prepaid prior thereto as hereinafter provided, in lawful money of the United States of America, together with interest thereon (computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) from the Date of Original Issue specified above, or such later date to which interest has been paid, at the Interest Rate per annum specified above, first payable on the first day of _____ and _____ of each year, beginning _____ 1, 2026, except as the provisions hereinafter set forth with respect to redemption of this Bond prior to maturity may become applicable hereto.

This Bond is one of a total authorized issue of bonds of every date and like tenor, except as to date of maturity, amount and rate of interest, numbered in order of registration, aggregating, the principal sum of $_____; issued in accordance with the provisions of Act 94, Public Acts of Michigan, 1933, as amended and resolutions adopted by the City Council of the Issuer on November 23, 2009, February 28, 2011, February 13, 2012, March 12, 2012, August 11, 2022 and _____, 2026 (collectively, the "Resolution"), for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring and constructing improvements to the System. This Bond is a self-liquidating Bond, and is not a general obligation of the Issuer within any applicable constitutional, statutory or charter limitation, but is payable, both as to principal and interest, solely from the Net Revenues of the System. The principal of and interest on this Bond are secured by a statutory lien on the Net Revenues.

The Issuer hereby covenants and agrees to fix, and maintain at all times while any of the Bonds shall be outstanding, such rates for service furnished by the System as shall be sufficient to provide for payment of the principal of and interest upon all such Bonds as and when the same become due and payable, to maintain a bond and interest redemption account, a bond reserve account, and to provide for the payment of expenses of administration and operation and such expenses for maintenance of the System as are necessary to preserve the same in good repair and working order, and to provide for such other expenditures and funds for the System as are required by the Resolution. The statutory liens securing this series of Bonds, which are First Lien Bonds (as defined in the Resolution), are first liens that shall be superior to the lien on the Net Revenues securing the Issuer's Junior Lien Bonds (as defined in the Resolution), and any Additional Junior Lien Bonds (as defined in the Resolution) that may be issued pursuant to the Resolution. Additional First Lien Bonds of equal standing to the bonds of this series may be issued pursuant to the Resolution. For a complete statement of the revenues from which, and the conditions under which, this Bond is payable, a statement of the conditions under which additional bonds of equal or subordinate standing may hereafter be issued, and the general covenants and provisions pursuant to which this Bond is issued, reference is made to the Resolution.

Principal of this Bond is payable at the principal office of _____, _____, Michigan, or such other Paying Agent as the Issuer may hereafter designate (the "Paying Agent") by notice mailed to the Registered Owner not less than sixty (60) days prior to the next interest payment date. Interest on this Bond is payable to the Registered Owner of record as of the fifteenth (15th) day of the month preceding the payment date as shown on the registration books of the Issuer maintained by the Paying Agent, by check or draft mailed to the Registered Owner at the registered address.

Bonds maturing on _____, ____ (the "Term Bonds"), are subject to mandatory redemption prior to maturity in part, by lot, on each _____ 1, commencing _____, ____, and will be redeemed at the par value thereof plus accrued interest to the redemption date on _____ 1 of each of the following years in the amounts as follows:

Redemption Date	Principal Amount

Term Bonds purchased by the Issuer and delivered to the Paying Agent for cancellation or which are redeemed in a manner other than by mandatory redemption, shall reduce the principal amount of the Term Bonds subject to mandatory redemption by the amount of the Bonds so redeemed, in the order determined by the Issuer.

Bonds maturing on or before _____1, 20__, shall not be subject to redemption prior to maturity. Bonds maturing on or after _____ 1, 20__, are subject to redemption prior to maturity as a whole or in part, at the option of the Issuer, in such order as the Issuer shall determine, on any dates, on or after _____ 1, 20__. Bonds called for redemption shall be redeemed at the par value thereof and accrued interest to the date of redemption, without a premium.

Notice of the call of any Bonds for redemption shall be given by first class mail not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption, to the Registered Owner at the registered address. Bonds called for redemption shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, provided funds are on hand with the Paying Agent to redeem such Bonds. Bonds shall be called for redemption in multiples of $5,000, and Bonds of denominations of more than $5,000 shall be treated as representing the number of bonds obtained by dividing the denomination of the Bond by $5,000, and such Bonds may be redeemed in part. The notice of redemption of Bonds redeemed in part shall state that upon surrender of the Bond to be redeemed, a new Bond or Bonds in aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Bond surrendered shall be issued to the Registered Owner thereof. So long as the book-entry-only system remains in effect, the Paying Agent will give notice to Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation, only and only Cede & Co. will be deemed to be a holder of the Bonds.

This Bond shall be registered in the name of the Registered Owner on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent and such registration noted hereon and thereafter no transfer shall be valid unless made upon the registration books and likewise noted hereon. This Bond is exchangeable at the request of the Registered Owner hereof, in person or by his attorney duly authorized in writing, at the office of the Paying Agent, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations and at his sole expense, for other

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Public Notices

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM on FEBRUARY 19, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information.

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ezra B. Ling, single man, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Neighborhood Loans, Inc., Mortgagee, dated March 2, 2021 and recorded March 5, 2021 in Liber 4586, Page 247 Allegan County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-One Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Four and 57/100 Dollars ($81,224.57).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Allegan County, Michigan at 9:00 AM on FEBRUARY 19, 2026.

Said premises are located in the City of Plainwell, Allegan County Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 47, Batchelor and Dunham's Addition to the Village (now City) of Plainwell, excepting therefrom a three cornered piece of land lying directly South of Lot No. 49, of the same addition, according to the plat thereof on file and of record in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Allegan County, Michigan, in Liber 43 of Deeds, Page 624.

182 W 1st Ave, Plainwell, Michigan 49080

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

Dated: January 15, 2026
File No. 25-016268
Firm Name: Orlans Law Group PLLC
Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084
Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400
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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY ADVERTISEMENT. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 a.m. on February 19, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): James Henry Starling, a single person and Melissa Kay Weimer, a single person. Original Mortgagee: 21st Mortgage Corporation. Date of Mortgage: December 23, 2019. Date of Mortgage Recording: December 26, 2019 in Liber 4415, Page 895, Allegan County Records, Michigan. Amount claimed due on date of notice: two hundred nineteen thousand three hundred fifteen and 54/100 Dollars ($219,315.54), including interest. Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in the Township of Manlius, County of Allegan, State of Michigan, to wit: Remainder of Parent Parcel - Beginning at the North 1/4 post of Section 21, Town 3 North, Range 15 West, Township of Manlius, Allegan County, Michigan; thence South 00 degrees 02 minutes 10 seconds West on the North and South 1/4 line, 1858.42 feet to the centerline of Old Allegan Road; thence North 40 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds West on same, 954.62 feet; thence North 54 degrees 50 minutes 44 seconds East 437.40 feet; thence North 40 degrees 21 minutes 20 seconds West 600.00 feet; thence North 54 degrees 50 minutes 44 seconds East 13.65 feet; thence East 313.75 feet; thence North 00 degrees 02 minutes 10 seconds East 414.00 feet to the North Section line; thence East on same, 325.00 feet to the place of beginning, and all improvements thereon. Common street address: 5510 130th Avenue, Fennville, Michigan 49408. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later; or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. This notice is from a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. This sale may be rescinded or set aside by the foreclosing mortgagee. In such event, damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return or refund of the bid amount tendered at such sale, together with interest. Dated: January 8, 2026 21st Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee By: Richard A. Green Law Offices of Richard A. Green 30150 Telegraph Road, Ste. 444 Bingham Farms, MI 48025 (248) 924-2354 1/15/26, 1/22/26, 1/29/26, 2/5/26
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MORTGAGE SALE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the Circuit Court in Allegan County, Michigan starting promptly at 9:00 a.m. on February 19, 2026. The amount due on the Mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the Property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county Register of Deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. The Mortgage being foreclosed was given by John E. Parks and Inez Parks, husband and wife and John E. Parks as Trustee of The John E. Parks Living Trust under Agreement dated March 18, 1992 to The United States of America, acting through the Farm Service Agency, United States Department of Agriculture. The Mortgage is dated September 25, 2008 and was recorded on October 16, 2008 in Liber 3269, starting on page 754 of the Allegan County Records. No proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt which is Two Hundred Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Five and 81/100 Dollars ($240,805.81) Dollars as of January 15, 2026. The amount due on the Mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the Property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the Allegan County Register of Deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for their information. The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on February 19, 2026 at 9:00 a.m., local time, at the East front entrance to the Allegan County Building in Allegan, Michigan, which is the location of the Allegan County Circuit Court. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest at the rate of 5.00% per year, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the sale. The property to be sold is located in Lee Township, Allegan County, Michigan and is more specifically described in the Mortgage as: The East Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 21, Township 1 North, Range 15 West (the "Property"). The street address of the Property is V/L 54th Street, Allegan, Michigan 49010. The redemption period will expire six (6) months from the date of the sale. The redemption period may be extinguished as provided in MCL 600.3238.Please be advised that if the Property is actually sold at a foreclosure sale pursuant to the procedures provided in MCL 600.3200 et. seq., as is currently anticipated by this Notice of Mortgage Sale, then in such event, the borrowers will be responsible to the person who buys the Property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the Property during the redemption period as provided in MCL 600.3278. Please be further advised that the redemption period may also be extinguished under the circumstances described in MCL 600.3238. The name, address and telephone number of the attorney for the party foreclosing the Mortgage is: John R. Tucker, Esq. WINEGARDEN, HALEY, LINDHOLM, TUCKER & HIMELHOCH, PLC G-9460 S. Saginaw Street, Suite A Grand Blanc, MI 48439 810-767-3600 Dated: January 15, 2026 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH THE FARM SERVICE AGENCY, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PREPARED BY: John R. Tucker, Esq. P-37348 Winegarden, Haley, Lindholm, Tucker & Himelhoch, PLC G-9460 S. Saginaw Street, Suite A Grand Blanc, MI 48439 810-767-3600
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CHESHIRE TOWNSHIP

ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN
EAGLE LAKE IMPROVEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

NOTICE OF FEBRUARY 17, 2026 PUBLIC HEARING ON 2026-2030 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PLANS AND ESTIMATED COSTS

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHESHIRE, ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN; OWNERS OF PROPERTY ABUTTING AND/OR WITH DEEDED ACCESS TO EAGLE LAKE IN CHESHIRE TOWNSHIP; AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the Cheshire Township Board is proposing an Eagle Lake improvement project in 2026-2030 for the eradication and control of aquatic weeds and plants in Eagle Lake financed by special assessments on the properties within the Eagle Lake Improvement Special Assessment District as reestablished in 2021 for an indefinite term. The Township Board is proposing to proceed with this project on its own initiative and pursuant to the request of interested property owners for the Township to continue to be involved in the improvement of Eagle Lake through multi-year projects that began in 2006 and were continued through 2025.

The existing Eagle Lake Improvement Special Assessment District within which the cost of the foregoing improvements is proposed to be specially assessed is described as follows:

All lots/parcels abutting and/or with deeded access to Eagle Lake in Cheshire Township, Allegan County, State of Michigan.

Note: This Cheshire Township special assessment district does not include any property in adjoining Bloomingdale Township in VanBuren County, within which a small portion of Eagle Lake is located, because Cheshire Township does not have special assessment jurisdiction over such properties. The Bloomingdale Township Board may administer a similar special assessment project for the portion of Eagle Lake in that township.

The Township Board has received plans for the anticipated aquatic vegetation control project in 2026-2030, together with an estimate of the costs of the project in the amount of $85,456.80 (85.8% of $99,600.00 for the entire lake, including the portion in Bloomingdale Township), and has placed the plans on file with the Township Clerk. The Township has added to the Cheshire Township share of the plan costs a 5% contingency for unanticipated expenses, in the amount of $4,272.84; and the Township has further estimated the legal and administrative expenses of the 2026 special assessment process and administering the special assessment district to be approximately $7,000. The total estimated 2026-2030 project cost for Cheshire Township is therefore $96,792.64.

The Township Board at its January 20, 2026 meeting passed a Resolution tentatively declaring its intention to proceed with the 2026-2030 project. A public hearing on this improvement project and the estimated costs of same will be held at the Cheshire Township Hall at 471 41st just north of 104th Avenue, Cheshire, Michigan, on February 17, 2026 in conjunction with a regular meeting of the Township Board beginning at 6:30 p.m.

At this hearing/meeting the Board will consider any written objections to any of the foregoing matters which are filed with the Board prior to or at the hearing, as well as any corrections or changes to the plans or estimate of costs. The project plans, estimate of costs, and the boundaries of the existing special assessment district may be examined at the office of the Township Clerk and may further be examined at the public hearing.

If the Township Board determines to proceed with the 2026-2030 improvement project a second public hearing will be held at a later date to be set by the Township Board (tentatively March 17, 2026 at the regular Township Board meeting) for the purpose of reviewing and hearing objections to the proposed 2026-2030 special assessment roll allocating the costs of the project among the various properties included in the special assessment district. Appearance and protest at such a second public hearing or as otherwise allowed by 1962 PA 162, as amended, is required in order to preserve a right to appeal the amount of any such special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal within 30 days after the confirmation of a special assessment roll. Formal notice of any such second public hearing will be published in a newspaper and mailed to affected property owners as required by law. A re-determination of the actual costs to be assessed for 2027-2030 may be made by the Township Board on an annual basis without further Notice if allowed by law. A proposed special assessment roll for a continuation project in any years subsequent to 2030 will not be approved without new cost estimates and a further hearing thereon.

Note: the Township Board tentatively anticipates proposing special assessments for the 2026-2030 project in the amount of $1,289.73 (payable in 5 equal rounded annual installments of $257.95) for lots/parcels abutting Eagle Lake, and $644.85 (payable in 5 equal rounded annual installments of $128.97) for lots/parcels with deeded access to Eagle Lake. The Township Board also presently anticipates applying to the 2026-2030 improvement project any retained revenue surplus from the improvement project in 2021-2025, after a final accounting for this project has been completed.

The foregoing hearings and all proceedings associated with these special assessment matters will be conducted in accordance with and pursuant to 1954 PA 188, as amended, the Michigan Open Meetings Act, and any other applicable law.

Cheshire Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the meeting/hearing to individuals with disabilities, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered, upon reasonable notice to the Township. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Township Clerk as designated below.

Jodi Pinnell, Clerk
Cheshire Township
1061 37th Street
Allegan, MI 49010
(269) 521-3440

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bonds of an equal aggregate amount, upon surrender of this Bond to the Paying Agent. Upon such transfer, a new registered bond or bonds of the same series and the same maturity of authorized denomination will be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor.

It is hereby certified and recited that all acts, conditions and things required by law, precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond, exist and have been done and performed in regular and due time and form as required by law and that the total indebtedness of the Issuer including this Bond, does not exceed any applicable charter, constitutional or statutory limitation.

[*Signature Page Follows*.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City of Allegan, Allegan County, Michigan, by its City Council, has caused this Bond to be signed, by the manual or facsimile signatures of its Mayor and City Clerk, all as of the _____ day of _____, 2026.

_____
Traci Perrigo, Mayor

_____
Tracy J. Stull, Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AND AUTHENTICATION

This Bond is one of the Issuer's $_____ Water Supply System First Lien Revenue Bonds, Series 2026, and has been registered in the name of the Registered Owner designated on the face thereof in the bond register maintained for the Issuer.

_____
Authentication Date: _____, 20__ As Paying Agent/Bond Registrar/Transfer Agent

ASSIGNMENT

For value received, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto _____

_____
(please print or type social security number or taxpayer identification number and name and address of transferee)

the within bond and all rights thereunder, and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint _____ attorney to transfer the within bond on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: _____ Signed: _____

In the presence of: _____

Notice: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name as it appears upon the face of the within bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever. When assignment is made by a guardian, trustee, executor or administrator, an officer of a corporation, or anyone in a representative capacity, proof of his City to act must accompany the bond.

Signature(s) must be guaranteed by an eligible guarantor institution participating in a Securities Transfer Association recognized signature guaranty program.

Signature Guaranteed: _____

WRONGFUL USE OF CERTIFICATE

Unless this certificate is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("DTC"), to the Issuer or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange, or payment, and any certificate issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or in such other name as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or to such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.

Public Notices

made by Miriaixcel Cardona, a married woman, as her sole and separate property, whose address is 5549 109th Avenue, Pullman, Michigan 49450, as original Mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Aspire Financial, Inc., d/b/a Aspire Lending, being a mortgage dated November 4, 2015, and recorded on November 13, 2015 in Liber 3980 Page 705, Allegan County Records, State of Michigan and then assigned to NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, as assignee as documented by an assignment dated April 13, 2022 and recorded on April 13, 2022 in Liber 4750 Page 84, Allegan County Records, Michigan. Said assignment was repeated dated December 21, 2022 and recorded on December 21, 2022 in Liber 4824 Page 933, and on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of SEVENTY-THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND 28/100 ($73,300.28). Said premises are situated in the Township of Lee, County of Allegan, State of Michigan, and are described as: LOTS 64, 65 AND 66 OF VIO ASHDALE'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF PULLMAN, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 4 OF PLATS ON PAGE 12. Street Address: 5549 109th Avenue, Pullman, Michigan 49450 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA § 600.3241a in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale. If the property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCLA § 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. ATTENTION HOMEOWNER: IF YOU ARE A MILITARY SERVICE MEMBER ON ACTIVE DUTY, IF YOUR PERIOD OF ACTIVE DUTY HAS CONCLUDED LESS THAN 90 DAYS AGO, OR IF YOU HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO ACTIVE DUTY,PLEASE CONTACT THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PARTY FORECLOSING THE MORTGAGE AT THE TELEPHONE NUMBER STATED IN THIS NOTICE. Dated: January 15, 2026 For more information, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing: Robert A. Blumberg (P87490), Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC, 30 North LaSalle St., Suite 3650 Chicago, Illinois, 60602 Telephone: (312) 541-9710 File No.: MI 26 6927

(01-15)(02-05)

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Emily Capitano-Kosanke and Steven Kosanke, wife and husband

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): PennyMac Loan Services, LLC

Date of Mortgage: January 29, 2021

Date of Mortgage Recording: February 9, 2021

Amount claimed due on date of notice: $122,446.05

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Charter Township of Gunplain, Allegan County, Michigan, and described as: The West 1/2 Lot 28 of Gores Addition and Lot 29 of Gores Addition, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 6 of Plats, on Page 27, Allegan County Records.

Common street address (if any): 1053 Bloomfield Ave, Plainwell, MI 49080-1505

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: January 22, 2026

Trott Law, P.C.
31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145
Farmington Hills, MI 48334
(248) 642-2515
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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. ATTENTION HOMEOWNER: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Under the power of sale contained herein in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or a cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on March 5, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. MORTGAGE SALE – Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Joseph J. Laroy Married Man and Pricilla Laroy, His Wife, original mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS), as nominee for Decision One Mortgage Company, LLC, dated September 27, 2004, and recorded September 30, 2004 in Liber 2738, Page 108, in Allegan County records, Michigan, and assigned to Household Finance Corporation III by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on November 12, 2008 in Liber 3275, Page 667, and assigned to Household Finance Corporation III by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on April 10, 2012 in Liber 3607, Page 376, and assigned to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF8 Master Participation Trust by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on February 24, 2014 in Liber 3816, Page 688, and assigned to U.S. Bank Trust, National Association, as Trustee of the FW Series I Trust by an Assignment of Mortgage recorded on May 12, 2020 in Liber 4461, Page 226, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty Three Thousand Five Hundred Ninety One and 42/100 dollars ($133,591.42). Said premises are situated in the Township of Otsego, County of Allegan, and State of Michigan, and particularly described as: Lot 5, Oak View Farm, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 15 of Plats, Page 66, Allegan County Records. Property Address:282 Zak Road, Plainwell, MI 49080 Parcel No.: 17-660-005-00 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated: January 29, 2026 For more information, please call: (513) 444-4100 Sottile and Barile PLLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 394 Wards Corner Boulevard, Suite 180 Loveland, OH 45140 File MF2410006 - Laroy, Joseph J.

(01-29)(02-19)

FORECLOSURE NOTICE Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 09:00 AM, March 5, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Scott C. Goodman a married man & Maria Goodman, his wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Mortgage Research Center, LLC DBA Vamortgagecenter.com DBA Veterans United Home Loans, its successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 30, 2011, and recorded on January 10, 2012, in Liber 3580, Page 323, Allegan County Records, said mortgage was assigned to Nationstar Mortgage LLC by an Assignment of Mortgage dated October 15, 2025 and recorded October 15, 2025 in Liber 5077, Page 854, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Four and 93/100 ($154,174.93) including interest at the rate of 3.75000% per annum. Said premises are situated in the Township of MANLIUS, Allegan County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot(s) 11 of Greenfield Estates according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 14 of Plats, Page 20 of Allegan County Records And Part of the Northeast 1/4 and part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 1, Town 3 North, Range 15 West Manlius Township, Allegan County, Michigan, described as: Beginning at the Southwest corner of Lot 9, Greenfield Estates, Manlius Township, Allegan County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof; thence South 87 degrees 58 minutes 30 seconds East 330.00 feet along the South line of said Greenfield Estates, to the Southeast corner of Lot 11 of said Greenfield Estates; thence South 41 degrees 07 minutes 38 seconds West 151.63 feet; thence South 05 degrees 46 minutes 50 seconds West 1660 feet more or less to the waters edge of the Rabbit River; thence Westerly and Southwesterly 129 feet more or less to a point on the West line of Lot 9 extended of said Greenfield Estates, bearing South 02 degrees 01 minutes 30 seconds West from the Point of Beginning; thence North 02 degrees 01 minutes 30 seconds East 1805 feet more or less along said line, to the Point of Beginning. Commonly known as: 4842 GREEN RIDGE TRAIL, HAMILTON, MI 49419 If the property is eventually sold at foreclosure sale, the redemption period will be 6.00 months from the date of sale unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 and/or 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes prior to the date of the foreclosure sale pursuant to MCL 600.3240, the redemption period is 1 year. Pursuant to MCL 600.3278, if the property is sold at a foreclosure sale, the borrower(s) will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages are, if any, limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. Dated: January 29, 2026 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Nationstar Mortgage LLC 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302, (248) 335-9200 Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Case No. 25MI00900-1

(01-29)(02-19)

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ALLEGAN
Case No. 25-71375-CK
HON. MATTHEW ANTKOVIAK
JOMAR PROPERTIES, LLC, a Michigan Limited liability company,
Plaintiff,
V
TIMOTHY COUNTERMAN, an individual,
Defendant.
Natashka W. Fris (P72565)
CUNNINGHAM DALMAN, P.C.
Attorneys for Defendant
321 Settlers Road
Holland, MI 49423
(616) 392-1821
natashka@cunninghamdalman.com

ORDER FOR ALTERNATE SERVICE

At a session of said Court, held in the Circuit Court in the City of Allegan, County of Allegan, State of Michigan, this 7 day of Jan., 2026.

PRESENT: Honorable Matthew Antkoviak, Circuit Court Judge.

THIS MATTER involving a claim for monetary damages resulting from damage to the real property located at 4684 Oak Street, Hamilton, Michigan, 49419, caused by Timothy Counterman, having come before the court by Motion of Plaintiff, the Court being advised in the premises, and the Court finds that service of process upon the Defendant cannot be reasonably made as provided in MCR 2.105 and service of process may be made in a manner that is reasonably calculated to give the defendant actual notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be heard. Defendants must answer the Complaint filed in this Court within 28 days of the date of FINAL publication of this notice. Failure to answer may result in a default judgment against Defendants or other negative action.

IT IS ORDERED THAT ALTERNATE SERVICE may be made on Defendant by first-class mail and certified mail, return receipt requested, to the last known address of the Defendant, but shall also be done by tacking said summons and complaint to the door of the last known address of Defendant and via publication pursuant to MCR 2.106(D).

Matthew Antkoviak P-59449
Honorable Matthew Antkoviak, Circuit Court Judge

THIS DOCUMENT PREPARED BY:
Natashka W. Fris (P72565)
CUNNINGHAM DALMAN, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiffs
321 Settlers Rd.
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Brenda L Thomas
Deputy Clerk
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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Derek Gentry, a single man

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): PHH Asset Services LLC

Date of Mortgage: June 5, 2025

Date of Mortgage Recording: July 2, 2025

Amount claimed due on date of notice: $293,968.98

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Ganges, Allegan County, Michigan, and described as: Beginning at a point found by commencing at the West 1/4 post of Section 20, Town 2 North, Range 16 West, Ganges Township, Allegan County, Michigan; thence North on the West Section line, 308.02 feet; thence South 88 degrees 56 minutes 07 seconds East, 1062.00 feet to the place of beginning of this description; thence North parallel with the West Section line, 347.00 feet to the North line of the South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4; thence South 88 degrees 52 minutes 56 seconds East on same, 1243.67 feet; thence 110.00 feet around a curve to the right with a radius of 68,564.94 feet and a chord that bears South 00 degrees 02 minutes 18 seconds - East, 110.00 feet; thence South 88 degrees 52 minutes 56 seconds East, 40.01 feet to the Westerly line of 1-196 highway; thence along said Westerly line 235.80 feet around a curve to the right with a radius of 68,604.94 feet and a chord that bears South 00 degrees 06 minutes 24 seconds West, 235.80 feet; thence North

DORR TOWNSHIP

MEETING SYNOPSIS
JANUARY 22nd, 2026, 7:00 pm

Board in Attendance: Miling, Champion, Sewers, Tuinstra, Reitz, Weber, Stanton.
Reports Heard: Fire, WAEMS, Road Committee, Planning Commission, ZBA, and Parks.
Agenda/ Minutes Carried
Invoices/Payroll Carried
Voted On:
A. Poverty Resolution Carried.
B. Road Gravel program Carried.
C. Pay Date Carried.
D. Removal of Items Carried.
E. Mandatory Treasurer Dates Carried.
F. Microsoft Carried.

Contact Clerk for Draft Minutes
Clerk@dorrtownship.org
Submitted by Debbie Sewers Clerk

GANGES TOWNSHIP

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Ganges Township Board of Review will meet at the Town Hall, 1904 64th St, Fennville, MI 49408 on the following dates:

March 3, 2026 5:30 pm - Organizational Meeting
March 9, 2026 2:00pm - 5:00pm & 6:00pm - 9:00pm - Appeals Meeting
March 10, 2026 9:00am - 12:00pm & 1:00pm - 4:00pm - Appeals Meeting

Please call or email for an appointment to appear before the Board of Review. Letter appeals are accepted and must be filed with the Assessor prior to 5:00pm, March 9th. All appeals are required to submit form L-4035 – Petition to Board of Review.

The 2026 tentative ratios and multiplying factors are listed by class as set by the Allegan County Equalization Department as follows:

Agricultural	37.73 / 1.32521
Commercial	41.67 / 1.19990
Industrial	42.25 / 1.18343
Residential	45.01 / 1.11086
Personal Property	50.00 / 1.00000

Heather Jahr
Ganges Township Assessor
(616) 970-7820 •gangesassessor@gmail.com

Hopkins Township

142 E. Main St. Hopkins, MI 49328
Zoning Board of Appeals
Notice of Special Meeting and Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to PA 110 of 2006, the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, the Hopkins Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a regular meeting and Public Hearing on Monday, February 23, 2026, at 7:30 p.m. at Hopkins Township Hall, 128 South Franklin, Hopkins MI, 40328.

The following items will be heard, considered, and possibly have action taken upon them:

1. Three requests from Matthew Kirsch of Allegan Solar, LLC, interested party as described below:
   a. Relief from Section 157.056.D.2.a.2.c of the Hopkins Township Zoning Ordinance to construct and operate a utility scale solar operation closer than three hundred feet from a non-associated dwelling. The parcel upon which the applicant wishes to construct and operate the operation is 2281 126th Ave. also known as parcel 03-10-030-011-00.
   b. Relief from Section 157.056.D.2.a.e to construct and operate a utility scale solar energy system closer than 100 feet from a 100-year floodplain as identified by FEMA. The applicant's request is for relief from this requirement upon the following parcels:
      i. 2281 126th Ave. also known as parcel 03-10-030-011-00
      ii. An unaddressed, 40.13 acres landlocked property adjacent to the Bear Swamp Drain in Section 29, also known as parcel number 10-030-008-01
      iii. An unaddressed, 14 acres landlocked property adjacent to the Bear Swamp Drain in Section 31, also known as parcel number 10-030-005-00
   c. Relief from Section 157.056.D.2.a.e to construct and operate a utility scale solar energy system closer than 100 feet from a wetland. The applicant's request is for relief from this requirement upon the following parcels:
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      iii. An unaddressed, 14 acres landlocked property adjacent to the Bear Swamp Drain in Section 31, also known as parcel number 10-030-005-00
2. Any other such business that comes properly before the Zoning Board of Appeals

All interested parties are invited to be present at the aforesaid time and place to offer input for the consideration of the Board of Appeals. Comments may also be directed in writing to the attention of the Hopkins Zoning Board of Appeals in care of the Township Clerk at the email and postal addresses noted below.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that Hopkins Township will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the hearing to individuals with disabilities upon five (5) days written notice to the Township Clerk at PO Box 217, Hopkins, MI 49328, by phone 269-793-3188 or by email to clerk@hopkinstownship.org.

A copy of agenda items, draft documents and public hearing notice is available for viewing online at www.hopkinstownship.org.

HOPKINS TOWNSHIP CLERK
STACEY TIMMER
269-793-3188

ALLEGAN COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
PROPOSAL FOR HP STORM DUAL WALL PIPE

Sealed proposals will be received by the Allegan County Road Commission at their office at 1308 Lincoln Road (M-89), Allegan, Michigan until 11:00 A.M., E.D.T, Wednesday February 11, 2026 and, at such time be publicly opened and read aloud.

Complete specification and bid forms are available at the Road Commission office or on our website at www.alleganroads.org under 2026 Project & Bids.

All bids must be submitted on forms furnished by the Road Commission and sealed in envelopes with the name and address of the bidder, and the item bid upon clearly marked.

The Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive minor technicalities, and to accept the bid that is deemed to be in the best interest of the County of Allegan.

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Larry Brown, Chairman
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Harold Hamlin, Member

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Public Notices

88 degrees 56 minutes 07 seconds West, 1283.29 feet to the place of beginning.

Together with an easement for ingress-egress and public utilities over a 66 foot wide strip of land with turnaround described as beginning on the West line of Section 20, Town 2 North, Range 16 West at a point 449.46 feet North of the West 1/4 post of the Section; thence North on the Section line, 67.39 feet; thence South 78 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds East 188.00 feet; thence South 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East, 193.50 feet; thence South 88 degrees 56 minutes 07 seconds East, 954.04 feet; thence 242.09 feet around a curve to the right with a radius of 50

feet and a chord that bears South 01 degree 03 minutes 53 seconds West, 66.00 feet; thence North 88 degrees 56 minutes 07 seconds West 980.66 feet; thence North 45 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West, 200.36 feet; thence North 78 degrees 20 minutes 00 seconds West, 154.61 feet to the place of beginning.

Common street address (if any): 6953 Conklin Ln, Fennville, MI 49408-9795

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: January 29, 2026

Trott Law, P.C.

31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145

Farmington Hills, MI 48334

(248) 642-2515

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STATE OF MICHIGAN

PROBATE COURT

COUNTY OF ALLEGAN

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Trust Estate

File No.

Decedent: MONNA L. COVAULT Date of Birth: July 1, 1932

TO ALL CREDITORS: *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, MONNA L. COVAULT, who lived at 700 Eley St Otsego, Michigan 49078 died November 30, 2025 . There is no probate estate.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the MONNA L. COVAULT or THE COVAULT FAMILY TRUST dated October 19, 1999, will be forever barred unless presented to Cherry Hughes (f/k/a Cherry Connor) and Michael Covault the named successor co-trustees within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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Morgan Rogalke Scime P83981

DeMent and Marquardt, P.L.C.

211 East Water Street, Suite 401

Kalamazoo, MI 49007 (269) 343-2106

Cherry Hughes

1490 Summer Springs

Buhl, Idaho 83316

(269) 251-7917

Michael Covault

1104 Howard St

Otsego, MI 49078

(269) 355-0496

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If you have any questions regarding Frontier's rates or services, please call us at 1-800-FRONTIER for further information or visit us at www.Frontier.com.

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TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The decedent, John N. DeJonge, died on Jan. 24, 2025. The address of his/her last permanent residence was

5430 128th Ave., Fennville, MI 49408 in Allegan county. The date of birth of John N. Defonge was 09/21/1953.

No probate estate is currently contemplated for the decedent. Creditors of John N. DeJonge are notified that all claims against his/her estate will be forever barred unless presented to the Trustee of The John N. DeJonge Trust, dated November 11, 2025, as amended, whose name and address are set forth below, within four months after the date of publication of this notice.

Trustee Name: Terry Francik

Trustee Address: 03796 47 1/2 St, Grand Junction, MI 49056

Date of Publication: 2-5-2076

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM on 3/19/2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Names of Mortgagor(s): Christopher Madalinski and Brandi Madalinski. Original mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Guaranteed Rate, Inc. Date of mortgage: 5/6/2022. Mortgage recorded on 7/27/2022 as Document No. 2022014735, in Liber 4782, Page 776. Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC. Amount claimed to be due at the date hereof: $58,292.34 Mortgaged premises: Situated in Allegan County, and described as: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PREMISES SITUATED IN THE CITY OF ALLEGAN, COUNTY OF ALLEGAN AND STATE OF MICHIGAN, TO-WIT: PARCEL 1: BEGINNING AT THE WESTERLY MOST CORNER OF LOT 1, BLOCK "F" OF JAMES B. STREETER'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF ALLEGAN, MICHIGAN; THENCE NORTH 39 DEGREES 19' 33" EAST 89.65 FEET (PLATTED AS NORTH 39 DEGREES 30" EAST), ON THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF JULIA STREET; THENCE SOUTH 56 DEGREES 12' 02" EAST, 132.69 FEET TO THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 1; THENCE SOUTH 39 DEGREES 12' 34" WEST, ON SAID SOUTHEASTERLY LOT LINE, 88.62 FEET TO THE SOUTHERLY MOST CORNER OF SAID LOT 1; THENCE NORTH 56 DEGREES 38' 07" WEST, ON THE SOUTHWESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 1, 132.97 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. AND PARCEL 2: COMMENCING AT THE WESTERLY MOST CORNER OF LOT 1, BLOCK "F" OF JAMES B. STREETER'S ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF ALLEGAN, MICHIGAN; RUNNING THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG THE WESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 1, 192 FEET, THENCE DUE WEST 148.3 FEET TO A POINT WHICH IS 231 FEET EAST OF THE EAST 1/8TH IN THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST, THENCE DUE NORTH 132 FEET TO THE CENTER OF JULIA STREET, IF EXTENDED, THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID CENTERLINE 14 FEET, THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY 33 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, BEING A PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 29, TOWNSHIP 2 NORTH, RANGE 13 WEST. Commonly known as 313 Julia St, Allegan, MI 49010. The redemption period will be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is abandoned or used for agricultural purposes. If the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, the redemption period will be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after the statutory notice, whichever is later. If the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241, the redemption period will be 1 month from the date of such sale. If the property is presumed to be used for agricultural purposes pursuant to MCL 600.3240(16), the redemption period is 1 year from the date of such sale. The redemption period may be extinguished pursuant to MCL 600.3238. If the above referenced property is sold at a foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of Act 236 of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. Date of Notice: 02/05/2026. Codilis & Moody, P.C. 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (313) 536-2500. This law firm is a debt collector. C&M File 23-25-00248

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Allegan County, Michigan at 9:00 AM on MARCH 19, 2026.

Said premises are located in the Township of Martin, Allegan County Michigan, and are described as:

THAT PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 3, TOWN 2 NORTH, RANGE 11 WEST, MARTIN TOWNSHIP, ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN, DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT FOUND BY COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE SOUTH 90° 00'00" WEST ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION, 495.24 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 90° 00'00" WEST ON SAID SOUTH SECTION LINE, 165.07 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00° 01'40" EAST PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH AND SOUTH 1/8 LINE OF SAID SOUTHEAST 1/4, 622.81 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SAID SECTION; THENCE NORTH 89° 57'11" EAST ON SAID NORTH LINE, 165.15 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00° 02'05" WEST 662.75 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION.

421 122nd Ave, Shelbyville, Michigan 49344

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

Dated: February 5, 2026

File No. 26-000826

Firm Name: Orlans Law Group PLLC

Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084

Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400

(02-05)(02-26)

STATE OF MICHIGAN

PROBATE COURT

ALLEGAN COUNTY

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

CASE NO. 25-65999-DE and JUDGE Jolene A. Clearwater, P74848

Court address 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010

Court telephone no.(269) 673-0250

Estate of Lynn Jay Huff Date of Birth:* December 21, 1950

TO ALL CREDITORS: **

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Lynn Jay Huff , died January 10, 2025.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Douglas J. Huff , personal representative, or to both the probate court at 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

January 20, 2026

James A. Donkersloot P30433

132 E. Main Avenue, P.O. Box 230

Zeeland, MI 49464

(616) 772-9000

Douglas J. Huff

Byron Center, MI 49315

4722 - 18th Street SW

(269) 208-9565

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement

Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on April 2, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information:

Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Henry Steffes and Ashley Steffes, Husband and Wife

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Freedom Mortgage Corporation

Date of Mortgage: January 3, 2022

Date of Mortgage Recording: January 14, 2022

Amount claimed due on date of notice: $252,980.26

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Salem, Allegan County, Michigan, and described as: That part of the East 1/2, Northwest 1/4, Section 28, Town 4 North, Range 13 West, Salem Township, Allegan County, Michigan, described as commencing at the Northwest corner of said Northwest 1/4; thence North 88 degrees 48 minutes 15 seconds East 1490.36 feet along the North line of said Northwest 1/4 to the place of beginning; thence North 88 degrees 48 minutes 15 seconds East 348.0 feet along the North line; thence South 02 degrees 04 minutes 18 seconds West 403.54 feet; thence South 88 degrees 48 minutes 15 seconds West 210.26 feet; thence North 17 degrees 05 minutes 34 seconds West 418.89 feet along the Northeasterly line of Consumers Power Company Right of Way to the place of beginning.

Common street address (if any): 3136 140th Ave, Dorr, MI 49323-9491

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16).

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period.

Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

This notice is from a debt collector.

Date of notice: February 5, 2026

Trott Law, P.C.

31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145

Farmington Hills, MI 48334

(248) 642-2515

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT

COUNTY OF ALLEGAN

FILE NO. 25-65939-DE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate

Estate of Maarten J. Busser, Deceased

Date of Birth: March 1, 1948

NOTICE TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent, Maarten J. Busser, died on September 26, 2025.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Bridget Busser, named personal representative, or to both the probate court at 113 Chestnut St. Allegan, MI 49010 and the named personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: 1/23/2026

Michael J. Becker (P81132)

Orton, Tooman, Hale, McKown & Kiel, P.C.

314 Trowbridge Street, P.O. Box 239

Allegan, MI 49010-0239

(269) 673-2136

Bridget Busser, Personal Representative

5145 123rd Ave. Fennville, MI 49408

(269) 354-7007

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE TO CREDITORS REVOCABLE TRUST

In the Matter of: The Edward E. Garvin and Mary Jane Garvin Revocable Living Trust

TAKE NOTICE: The Edward E. Garvin and Mary Jane Garvin Revocable Living Trust ("The Trust") was established on August 31, 2005. The Settlor, Edward E. Garvin lived at 620 Ely Street, Allegan, MI 49010. Edward E. Garvin was born on 01/31/1937 and died on 01/01/2026.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: Creditors of the Settlor, Edward E. Garvin, and/or "The Trust" are notified that all claims against The Edward E. Garvin and Mary Jane Garvin Revocable Living Trust will be forever barred unless presented to: Kimberley Metcalf-Kupres, Successor Trustee, of 6530 Balsam Lane N. Maple Grove, MN 55364, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated:

David F. Kiel (P43048)

ORTON, TOOMAN, HALE, McKOWN & KIEL, P.C.

314 Trowbridge St., P.O. Box 239

Allegan, MI 49010

(269) 673-2136

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE TO CREDITORS REVOCABLE TRUST

In the Matter of: The Living Trust of Herbert L. Johnson

TAKE NOTICE: The Living Trust of Herbert L. Johnson) ("The Trust") was established on January 16, 2003 as amended. The Settlor, Herbert L. Johnson lived at 103 Sunset Cove Drive, Allegan, MI 49010. Herbert L. Johnson was born on May 14, 1936 and died on October 30, 2025.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: Creditors of the Settlor, Herbert L. Johnson, and/or "The Trust" are notified that all claims against the Living Trust of Herbert L. Johnson will be forever barred unless presented to: Melissa Johnson, Successor Trustee, of the Living Trust of Herbert L. Johnson, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Dated:

David F. Kiel (P43048)

ORTON, TOOMAN, HALE, McKOWN & KIEL, P.C.

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Allegan, MI 49010

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Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Michael Kuhn a married man and Jami Kuhn his wife

Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns

Foreclosing Assignee (if any): PennyMac Loan Services LLC

Date of Mortgage: May 22, 2014

Date of Mortgage Recording: June 2, 2014

Amount claimed due on date of notice: $99,936.22

Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Dorr, Allegan County, Michigan, and described as: Beginning at the center of Section 20, Town 4 North, Range 12 West; thence South 0 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East on the North and South 1/4 line 301.77 feet; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes 30 seconds West 340.0 feet; thence North 48 degrees 15 minutes 53 seconds East 455.62 feet to the Place of B.

Common street address (if any): 4092 21st St, Dorr, MI 49323-9471

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Date of notice: February 5, 2026

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MORTGAGE SALE NOTICE Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM on March 19, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information. Default having been made in the terms and conditions of that certain Mortgage dated November 9, 2022 ("Mortgage"), made by EVO SAUGATUCK HOLDINGS LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, as mortgagor ("Mortgagor") to REDLAND HOLDINGS, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, as mortgagee ("Mortgagee"), recorded on November 15, 2022 in Liber 4816, Page 344, Allegan County Records; on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due, as of February 5, 2026, the sum of Two Million Five Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Nine and 63/100 Dollars ($2,583,459.63) ("Indebtedness") as of the date of this Mortgage Sales Notice. The mortgaged premises are described as follows: land, fixtures, easements and improvements situated in the Township of Saugatuck, Allegan County, Michigan, described as follows: PARCEL A: That part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 3 North, Range 16 West, Saugatuck Township, Allegan County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of said Section; thence South 00°39'57" East 719.78 feet along the West line of said Section to the South line of the North 66.00 feet of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section; thence North 89°10'09" East 85.00 feet along said South line to the East right of way line of Blue Star Highway and the Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 89°10'09" East 400.00 feet; thence South 00°39'57" East 300.00 feet; thence South 89°10'09" West 400.00 feet to said East right of way line; thence North 00°39'57" West 300.00 feet along said right of way line to the Point of Beginning. TOGETHER WITH AND SUBJECT TO A 66.00 foot wide easement for ingress, egress and utilities over that part of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 21, Town 3 North, Range 16 West, Saugatuck Township, Allegan County, Michigan, the centerline of which is described as: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of said Section; thence South 00°39'57" East 686.78 feet along the West line of said Section to the South line of the North 33.00 feet of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section and the Point of Beginning; thence North 89°10'09" East 452.00 feet along said South line; thence South 00°39'57" East 634.00 feet to the Point of Ending of said centerline. Tax Parcel No: 20-021-026-20 Common Address: 6790 Just Barns Drive, Fennville, MI 49408-8100 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or if determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c); or unless MCL 600.3240(16) applies. If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, under MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Dated February 5, 2026, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan Redland Holdings, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company Mortgagee Honigman LLP By: Jeffrey S. Horowitz Attorneys for Mortgagee 39400 Woodward Avenue Suite 101 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304-5151 (248) 566-8686

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Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice.

Notice of foreclosure by advertisement. Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM on MARCH 19, 2026. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of the sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information.

Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Kyle L. Rayburn, to PNC Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated October 8, 2021 and recorded October 15, 2021 in Liber 4683, Page 972 Allegan County Records, Michigan. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Sixty and 2/100 Dollars ($183,360.02).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the place of holding the circuit court within Allegan County, Michigan at 9:00 AM on MARCH 19, 2026.

Said premises are located in the City of Otsego, Allegan County Michigan, and are described as:

LOT 51, ELEY ACRES III, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 14 OF PLATS, PAGE 11, ALLEGAN COUNTY RECORDS.

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The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3278, the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damage to the property during the redemption period.

Dated: February 5, 2026

File No. 26-000606

Firm Name: Orlans Law Group PLLC

Firm Address: 1650 West Big Beaver Road, Troy MI 48084

Firm Phone Number: (248) 502.1400

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Notice of Adoption

Martin Township Amended Master Plan

Public notice is hereby given that, in accordance with Section 125.3841 of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, the Martin Township Board has approved the 2025 update to the Martin Township Master Plan.

The Plan was adopted via Resolution #2025-11 during a regular Township Board meeting held at the Martin Township Hall, 998 Templeton Street, Martin, MI 49070, on Wednesday, December 10, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Copies of this plan are available for public viewing at the above address or online at https://www.martintownship.org.

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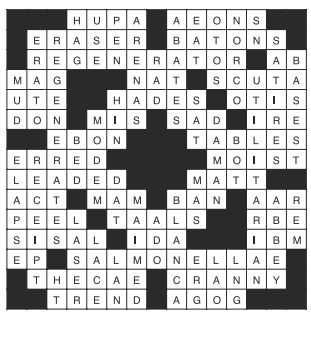

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